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'SHALOM, SALAAM, PEACE'

Israel and PLO Sign Accord on Self-Government; ${\it Clinton\, Hails\, `Brave\, Gamble' of\, Arafat\, and\, Rabin}$



We who have fought against you . . . say to you today in a Our two peoples are awaiting today this historic hope, and loud and a clear voice, enough of blood and tears. Enough! they want to give peace a real chance. Yitzhak Rabin

Yasser Arafat

Wariness in Israel, but Elation in the Gaza Strip

In Jersualem, Mix Of Hope and Fear

By Clyde Haberman

New York Times Service
BEIT ZAYIT, Israel — It didn't matter whether they were young or old, whether they leaned politically to the left or the right, whether they were assertively secular or, like one of the men, wearing a yarmulke.

When Yitzhak Rabin shook hands Monday with Yasser Arafat, six Israelis watching it on television together here on the western outskirts of Jerusalem might as well have been struck by

Each of them stared at the set, jaws slightly lowered, and said, "Wow."

Then, after a few seconds of trying to un-

cramble thoughts and emotions, all they could come up with was "wow" again.

Drora Sofer, who as a teenager ran errands for the underground Stern Gang in pre-Israel Palestine, wiped away tears and said she hoped that her soldier grandson, who is serving in the Gaza Strip, may new be safe.

Yasmin Halevi, a university student in her 20s, said, "This is it — the chance, the hope we've been waiting for all this time."

Eliezer Shenhav, a middle-aged plastic sur-geon who had invited some triends in to watch with him, found he was wrestling with himself.

His religious convictions tell him that God intended all of the biblical land of Israel to be in

Jewish hands. But more dominant these days is a feeling that there is no alternative to Israelis and Palestinians coming to terms with each

other as they are now trying to do. "I feel alone, like I'm in a cold room," Dr. Shenhay said moments after the handshake. But he added: "One has to be practical. It.

might turn one's stomach a bit, but I think this is the best we can do. It's bitter medicine, but we have to take it."

The small gathering in Beit Zayit, a fairly affluent Israeli-style collective known in Hebrew as a mashav, was arguably representative of nothing but itself. Everyone there agreed that the accord signed with the Palestine Liberation Organization was

a step toward possible peace that Israel had to take. One could hardly say that all Israelis share that view, and the opponents are vociferous, See ISRAEL, Page 6.

Palestinian Flags Flown in Rejoicing

By David Hoffman

Washington Past Service
GAZA, Israeli-Occupied Gaza Strip — The Gaza Strip, a forlorn and destitute wedge of refugee camps and sand dunes that will become the first Palestinian experiment in self-rule, erupted in celebration Monday at the signing of

the agreement in Washington.

Boys waved flags instead of throwing stones, and the soldiers smiled instead of shooting.

Cars growing under the weight of flag-waving passengers careened through the dusty boulevards and back alleys, horns blaring and pic-tures of Yasser Arafat plastered on the

windshield. Thousands of Palestinians emptied into the streets as the sun sank into the Mediterranean, chanting tributes to the Palestine Liberation Organization and its chairman.

The nuances of the speeches in Washington were lost on the throngs in the clamorous streets, where the simple message was that Palestinians were on the verge of independence. Not much changed in Gaza on Monday, but

of sovereignty, graced homes, cars and shops. The colors were sewn onto shirts and pant legs. Even though the documents signed in Washington do not specify a Palestinian state at this point, no one in the Gaza Strip was celebrating anything less than independence.

"The people are happy we have found a solution to our problems after 100 years," said Dr. Ibrahim Nahal, a physician at Nasser Hos-pital, where many of the dead and injured from the Palestinian uprising have been brought over the last five and a half years.

"Now we will sleep in security, and it will be a good life," said Fowzia Sharwan, who stood in an alleyway in Khan Younis, balancing two young boys on her hips. Wearing a chador head covering, as do most women when in public in Gaza, she said the boys were her grandchildren; their father was slain by Palestinians as a sus-pected collaborator with Israel, she said.

"We want to leave in peace, to be free, without any problems," said Abdel Salam Hissi, a third-generation Palestinian fisherman, as he painted the bull of his vessel near the Gaza wharf, which could become a new deep-water port if the Palestinians get financial aid

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Both Sides Express Their Hope For Full Mideast Reconciliation

By Paul F. Horvitz

WASHINGTON - Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organization expressed hope Mon-day for a full reconciliation in the Middle East as they solemnly signed a ground-breaking agreement providing for limited Palestinian self-rule in the Gaza Strip and the West Bank.

The prime minister of Israel, Yitzhak Rabin, and the chairman of the PLO, Yasser Arafat, managed two fleeting handshakes during an hourlong ceremony on the White House lawn, as the two bitter enemies witnessed the formal peace accord

It is a beginning, they both said, mindful that difficult talks on a permanent peace treaty be

gravely of the agreement's fragility. Gaza will be the testing ground, be said, and the two keystones of progress will be security for Israe-lis, wherever they are, and international financial aid for the Palestinians' social welfare.

And in a brief private encounter after the ceremony, President Bill Clinton reportedly told Mr. Arafat to move quickly, lest momen-

During the signing ceremony, the Israeli and PLO leaders flanked Mr. Clinton as he lauded their "brave gamble" for peace and pledged to place the security apparatus and financial re-sources of the United States behind their efforts. He closed his remarks with quotes from the Koran and from the prophet Isaiah and added a wish in Hebrew, Arabic and English, saying: "Shalom, salaam, peace,"

In a stunning break with the thetoric of war encounters, Israeli and PLO officials spoke in hopeful, even prayerful, tones of a new era in which economic development would supplant military face-offs and Jewish and Arab children throughout the region would rid themselves of

Shimon Peres, the Israeli foreign minister, declared: "As we have promised, we shall nego-tiate with you a permanent settlement, and with

all our neighbors a comprehensive peace, peace

Mahmoud Abbas, a top PLO official, spoke of proceeding together "with our Arab brothers on this comprehensive quest for peace."

U.S. officials said, meanwhile, that Jordan and Israel were expected to sign an accord in Washington on Tuesday setting forth a frame-

Mr. Rabin, a veteran of all of Israel's wars. solemnly recalled the Israeli victims of war and terrorism but declared to the Palestinians: *Enough of blood and tears, Enough! We have no desire for revenge. We harbor no hatred towards you.

"We are today going to give peace a chance," be added, closing with a traditional Hebrew

Mr. Arafat declared in Arabic that the event marks the beginning of the end of pain and self-determination for Palestinians would not threaten the security of the Jewish state. And he appealed for "extensive" international participation in the social and economic development of territories that have languished under Israeli occupation.

The battle for peace is the most difficult battle of our lives," Mr. Arafat said. He then smiled and addressed Mr. Clinton in English, saying: "Mr. President. Thank you. Thank you.

Despite the optimism, each major participant referred as well to the difficult road the two parties would face in negotiating a permanent peace accord over the next five years. Arab officials, in particular, mentioned unresolved estions over the status of Jerusalem, the fate. of Palestinian refugees and the existence of Jewish settlements on formerly Arab lands, Mr. Rabin cautiously said the Middle East was "on the eve of an opportunity."

In a 10-minute address, Mr. Clinton said the interim accord "must be a catalyst for pro-gress" in continuing talks among Israel, Syria, Jordan and Lebanon. The United States is now

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Symbols Abound at Ceremony

By Joseph Fitchett

International Herald Tribune
WASHINGTON — The 1979 landmark accord between Egypt and Israel was tangi-bly present Monday when the same White House lawn and the same austere wooden desk that served in the earlier treaty signing

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were used in the ceremony sealing Israeli-

But because it goes to the core of the conflict, the pact signed Monday overshadows even the taboo-breaking treaty that emerged from the Camp David talks, according to policymakers past and present who know the Middle East.

The deeper bitterness that bad to be sur-mounted this time was visible in the emotion-al strain as Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin

hesitated before finally shaking hands with Yasser Arafat, the leader of the Palestine Liberation Organization. His pause, an un-mistakable beat in the ceremonial rbythm, must have touched many hearts in Israel.

In the hot sunshine that had Washingtomians in shirtsleeves, the solemn men standng in a row in front of the White House's south portico took turns to move slowly to the podium and evoke the bloodsoaked history of generations past in the Middle East and the brightening hopes of the T-shirted chil-dren from there invited for this historic occa-

The ceremony — almost more solemn in the absence of flags, which have become emotional triggers in the Middle East marked a change between two peoples who have considered each other oppressors or

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Kiosk

Oslo Exit Poll Shows Gain by Ruling Party

OSLO (Reuters) - Norway's governing Labor Party appeared set to strengthen its grip on power after a general election on Monday, an exit poll by Norway's NRK public television showed.

The pulls indicated that Prime Minister Gro Harlem Brundtland, three times prime minister and a leading environmentalist, could keep power in the Storting, or parliament, through alliances with smaller

Helmut Kohl endorsed a little-known East German for president. Business/Finance

IBM is de-emphasizing mainframe com-Hong Kong regulators question the South China Morning Post Sale.

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In Bhopal, Only 'the Vultures' Get Aid

By Molly Moore

BHOPAL, India - Nine years after a Union Carbide chemical plant spewed a deadly cloud of gas over this city, the victims of the worst industrial disaster in history have received minuscule financial compensation, and the overburdened government relief programs created to help survivors are mired in corruption and.

Special courts established to parcel compensation to gas victims have paid out only \$3.1 million of the \$470 million damage settlement the American chemical giant negotiated with the Indian government in 1989, according to

"These people are still suffering while the vultures — doctors, lawyers, bureaucrats — become rich off the carcass of Bhopai," said Heeresh Chandra, who was chief medical examiner for the city the night of Dec. 2, 1984. when a cloak of poison gas dropped over Bho-pal, killing an estimated 2,500 in the first week and injuring as many as 500,000 more.

A combination of corruption, incompetence and the overwhelming logistics of tracking more than a half-million mostly illiterate victions has created major failures in every system created to assist the victims.

The legal, medical and economic relief programs in Bhopal have suffered numerous fail-

pensation from the Union Carbide settlement were not established until last year, eight years after the gas leak. Of an estimated 615,000 death and personal injury claims, only 5,700 have been decided. Lawyers and officials say it could take another 20 years to bear all the claims, even though the Indian government said it agreed to the controversial settlement with Union Carbide to ensure speedy compen-

Hospitals built to serve the bundreds of thousands of people who still suffer from gas-related illnesses are bopelessly overcrowded. Doctors say they see as many as 150 patients on a four-

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Reform in Japan: 'Take a Sledgehammer'

ures and delays.

By James Sterngold

New York Times Service TOKYO - Like most nations, Japan works best when it is closing ranks to battle a per-crived foc. When they were struggling to rebuild after World War II, the Japanese seized on the threat of communism. As the Cold War faded, overtaking the United States in world markets spurred workers to toil selflessly.

Now, with a new government and a new generation in charge, Japan has found a new demon, this time from within — the govern-Talk of change is everywhere in Japan these

month, ending 38 years of one-party rule by the Liberal Democrats, nearly every aspect of the old system has been blasted as corrupt and in need of reinvenation. The minister responsible for Japan's indus-

trial policy has denounced the tendency to

create industrial cartels, which his ministry helped foster. The new finance minister criticized a recent optimistic economic report not just as wrong, but as bureaneratic obfuscation. "One of the driving forces behind the advent" of coalition government in Japan is the view that the nation's highly centralized bureaucracy has acquired too much power," Eiji Suzuki, days. Since the coalition government of Prime chairman of Mitsubishi Kasei Corp., Japan's Minister Moribiro Hosokawa took office last largest chemical company, wrote recently.

The new government, he added, "should take a sledgehammer" to the collusive "iron triangle" of politicisus, bureaucrats and industrialists that for decades sacrificed consumer interests for industrial competitiveness. Indeed, if words were stones, the government

district in the heart of Tokyo would now be buried under a Mount Fuji of wrath. A country that once rejected foreigners who made these same criticisms as "Japan bashers,"

"revisionists," has suddenly embraced at least part of the revisionist agenda — which also happens to be part of the Clinton adminis-

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Palestinians in Jericho celebrating the limited autonomy granted them in the accord.

Jordanian officials disclose a road map for peace and diplomatic relations with Israel. A new chapter is written in the history of the Arab-Israeli conflict.

President Clinton called on Yasser Arafat to condemn attacks by militant Palestinians. Excerpts from remarks by Yitzhak Rabin, Yasser Arafat, and Bill Clinton.

Rebuffs Yugoslavs

Arms Aid Appeal By Bosnia Denied

By Steven Kinzer

New York Times Service
THE HAGUE --- In an implicit rebuke to Yugoslavia, the World Court on Monday demanded "immediate and effective implementation" of its past orders that the Belgrade government refrain from committing or sponsoring acts of genocide in Bosnia-Herzegovina.

The court did not, however, go as far as lawyers for Bosnia had urged. In arguments last month, Bosnian representatives asked the court to rule that the United Nations arms embargo against their country was illegal, and that any partition of their country would also be illegal.

Francis A. Boyle, an American law professor who is an adviser to the Bosnian government, called the decision "a great victory for Bosnia-Herzegovina." He said the head of Bosnia's Muslim-dominated government, Alija Izetbegovic, would use it to strengthen his case at peace talks in Geneva, which were scheduled to resume Tuesday.

"In any litigation, you ask for the stars, and if you get the sun and the moon you are quite happy," Mr. Boyle said outside the courtroom. "The court has has made it very clear that it is not satisfied with the implementation of its orders up to

The Yugoslav charge d'affaires in the Netherlands, Djordje Lopicic, who was also in court as the decision was read, said he was "not "This is a repeat of the first ver-

dict," Mr. Lopicic said. "We ex-pected the request of Bosnia to be rejected." In April, acting on a Bosnian complaint, the court ordered Yugo-

slavia to refrain from committing acts of genocide and from backing military, paramilitary or irregular armed units" that may be committing such acts in Bosnia, In the decision Monday, the court reaffirmed both of those orders by votes of 13 to 2.

The decision implied that, in the eyes of the court, Yugoslavia had not obeyed the original orders. By a vote of 14 to 1, the court also directed both parties not to

take any actions that could "aggra-vate or extend the current dispute." In unusually strong language, the court ruled that despite its April order, "great suffering and loss of life has been sustained by the population of Bosnia-Herzegovina in circumstances which shock the conscience of mankind and fla-grantly conflict with moral law," That is a legally accepted definition of genocide, enshrined in the 1948 genocide convention.

The court ruled that striking down the arms embargo would be "outside the scope" of its mandate. vention could not be invoked to prevent partition.

■ Heavy Fighting

Ethnic Serbs and the Creatian Army waged heavy artillery battles on Monday, The Associated Press reported from Zagreb, Croatia. Croatian radio reported 3 people killed and 14 wounded in Karlovac, 30 miles southwest of Zagreb.

A UN spokesman in Zagreb said the Serbs had moved tanks just outside of Karlovac, A refugee settlement housing about 1,000 people was evacuated, the radio reported. Over the weekend, eight people died in attacks on Karlovac



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UN Court Kohl Backs Obscure East German for President



Mr. Kohl talking Monday at the party meeting with a cabinet official, Angela Merkel, as Peter the suggestion to nominate Mr. Hintze, party secretary, looked on. Mr. Kohl's choice for president has been criticized by women.

The report says nothing about whether the

United States, France or any other coun-

try allied with Germany is spying on it, but

friends do spy on one another. Getting an economic edge over their

Western competitors, particularly in the international arms trade still so important

to many Eastern European countries, is

apparently the main reason for cloak-and-

danger activities these days.

Some countries — particularly from the developing world — also use secret ser-

vices to settle scores with enemies on German soil. Four Iranian Kurdish leaders

were assassinated in Berlin last Septem-

ber, possibly by Iranian operatives, the Germans believe.

Romania and Bulgaria still gather polis-ical, economic and especially scientific

and technological secrets by means both fair and foul, according to German spy-catchers. Iran succeeded in infiltrating two

intelligence agents, both Iraqis, into Bom's Federal Press and Information of-

fice until they were arrested last year.

into the dustbin of history, East Germany

is still keeping Bonn's counterintelligence service fully employed catching up with moles and former agents named in the files of what used to be the State Security

Last year, the agency, the Federal Office for the Protection of the Constitution,

Almost three years after disappearing

BERLIN - Chancellor Helmut Kohl on Monday formally endorsed a little known East German conservative to become the next

gress by warmly backing Stellen Heitmann, the Saxony state justice minister who won just 1 percent support in a recent opinion poll on presidential favorites.

Mr. Kohl also warned that neo-Nazis had hurt Germany's image abroad, and he promised to crack down on the rightist threat. He called a wave of racist attacks on foreigners in the last two years a disgrace for Germany.

Jews in America and in Israel are looking at what's going on in Germany and saying 'It's happen-ing again,' and 'Haven't they learned anything?," Mr. Kohl

"It is important to fully implement existing laws and, where necessary, laws need to be toughened," Mr. Kohl said.

Although Mr. Kohl has been talking for weeks about naming a candidate from East Germany, an area that will be crucial for his reelection hopes next year, it was the first time he publicly mentioned Mr. Heitmann by name.

"I remain determined to put forth an East German for the office of president," Mr. Kohl said.

This will be an important signal for the people in the East, "he said. He said that the party leadership had accepted "with great pleasure

based in Cologne, conducted 1,737 investi-gations into suspected treason or other

intelligence activities. It arrested 56 suspected spies — 38 from the former East

Germany and one each from Poland and. Iran — and convicted 22.

tions on more than 2,200 "traces," former

East German agents mentioned in files inherited from the old Ministry for State

Security.
These files have enabled the agency to

catch agents it could not track down dur-

ing the Cold War. So far, 972 have been identified through the files, the agency said, and the end is not yet in sight.

"The removal of the threat from world

communism has not made the domestic security service superfluous," Interior Minister Manfred Kanther said.

Sounding like a man defending his agency's budget, which has remained

roughly constant over the fast two years

despite staff cuts, one of his officials said.

"The counterespionage division has never had so much work as it does today."

1989, the federal office in Cologne was

reduced from 2,500 people to about 2,200,

but the reductions were suspended in 1992

A spokesman said the counterespionage

as the threat of violence from rightist mili-

division, whose size has never been dis-

After the Berlin Wall came down in

The agency said it had opened investiga-

In his speech, Mr. Kohl also hinted at a strongly conservative Christian Democratic campaign in the 19 local, state, federal and European Parliament elections next year by calling for more law and president of Germany.

Mr. Kohl opened his Christian

Democratic Union's annual con
cational standards.

Social Democratic Democratic Union's annual con-

The opposition Social Democrats are expected to name Johanaes Rau, premier of North Rhine-Westphalia state, as their candidate

for the presidency.

An assembly of federal and state deputies, in which Mr. Kohl's cen-ter-right coalition has a majority, will meet in May 1994 to elect a successor to the respected Richard von Weizsäcker.

Bonn's president is a representative figure above politics.

Mr. Kohl's determination to

name an East German has turned the nomination into a tug-of-war that has aroused protest even within Christian Democratic ranks. Women and leftists have also criticized what they call nationalist

and anti-feminist remarks that Mr. Heitmann, an old-fashioned conservative, has reportedly made. A recent opinion poll found that only 1 percent of Germans sup-ported Mr. Heitmann, 49, a lawyer for the Protestant church opposi-

tion in East Germany's Comm It found that 51 percent pre-ferred the former foreign minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher, although he has declined to be persuaded by his liberal Free Democrats to run. Twenty-four percent backed Mr. Rau, whom Mr. Kohl himself once

mentioned as a possible future

closed, had shrunk while the sections re-

sponsible for investigating militant groups had absorbed a greater share of the agen-

cy's \$139.4 million budget in recent years.
Markus Wolf, who headed the East Ger-

man foreign intelligence service until 1986, has been on trial in Düsseldorf since May

on charges of treason and bribery. Bonn's

counterspies are still worried about some

of his legacies, particularly informants his agents tricked into thinking they were working for German industry or a "friend-

One such case, of a German woman

who worked for the U.S. military, was recruited by being misled into thinking she was actually supplying Dutch intelligence

Her control officer went to work for the

KGB after East Germany vanished, and she kept supplying him with information for the Dutch until she was stopped in the spring of 1992, after the Soviet Union had

broken up.

The KGB was dismantled after the So-

viet Union went out of existence at the end

of 1991, but Russia now has four separate

intelligence-gathering services, and judg-

ing by Boam's experience, they are still up to many of the KGB's old tricks.

eign colors' this way could be taken over by the KGB relatively samply," the Ger-

"Agents recruited and run under for-

intelligence service.

with information.

(Reuters, AP)

WORLD BRIEFS

Russia Plans Seoul Naval Exercises

SEOUL (Reuters) - Russia has proposed holding joint naval exercises with South Korea to bolster military ties, Lee Yang Ho, chairman of the South Korean joint chiefs of staff, said Monday.

Mr. Lee returned on Sunday from a weeklong visit to Russia, where he held talks with Defense Minister Pavel S. Grachev and other Russian officials on improving relations between the two nations' armed forces.
"Russia's senior military officials offered to hold South Korean-Russian naval military exercises to reinforce military ties between the two countries." a Defense Ministry spokesman quoted Mr. Lee as having told local reporters. Mr. Lee said the government would make a final decision after consultations with other ministries. The exercises would not take

U.S. Official Pushes for Korea Talks

place before late next year, he said.

SEOUL (UPI) — Robert L. Gallucci, the U.S. assistant secretary of state for political and military affairs, said Monday that North Koreis must resume serious talks with South Korea on the question of nuclear weapons if it wants a third round of high-level talks with the United

But Mr. Gallucci, ending a five-day visit that included meetings with President Kim Young Sam and other officials on North Korea's nuclear program, said there was no deadline for North Korea to take a step.

Mr. Gallucci said he came with the same message as President Bill Clinton, who visited Seoul earlier this year — "the rock-solid commitment that the United States has to the security of South Korea."

UNITA Attack on Town Is Reported

SAO TOME, Sao Tome and Principe (Reuters) — The Angolan rebet movement, UNITA, attacked the besieged town of Cuito with tanks on Monday and was close to overwhelming its beleaguered government garrison, the Angolan state radio reported Monday in broadcasts monitored.

The government has repeatedly accused UNITA, or the National Union for the Total Independence of Angola, of trying to seize Cuita, which has been under siege for eight months, as a propaganda coup before the United Nations Security Council meets on Wednesday to

discuss the situation in Angola.

But UNITA's military chief of staff, General Arlindo Chenda Isaat.

Pena, has denied this. He told the Lisbon daily newspaper Publico over the weekend during a visit to Portugal that UNITA forces were besieging Chito to contain its army garrison but were not trying to take the city.

Corrections

A report in some editions Monday inaccurately characterized the proposed merger of Viacom Inc. and Paramount Communications Inc. both of the United States. Viacom will acquire Paramount, as the

Helle Degn, the Danish minister for developmental aid, was misident fied as a man in some editions on Sept. 2.

TRAVEL UPDATE

Airlines Cut Fares as Much as 45%

NEW YORK (AP) - Major airlines cut fares by as much as 45 percent

Monday and dropped a \$20 round-trip price increase at least unfil Friday, the last day to buy the discounted tickets.

The steep discounts were offered as airlines tried to entice travelers into the air during the typically slow fall season. Discounts during the summer generally did not go higher than 35 percent because of high travel

Northwest Airlines started the sale, placing ads in newspapers. Other airlines, including American, United and TWA, matched the sale. Delta and Continental were studying the discount, but said they would stay compenitive with the new fares. On Friday, TWA announced plans to raise round-trip prices the next day. The increase was pulled down Monday, but TWA said the airline planned to reinstate the raise once the Louis XIV's river is to be reconnected to freshen up the stagnant and

smelly canals and ponds around the Versailles Palace. The water system was constructed in the 17th century and fed by 34 kilometers (20 miles) of artificial river linked by canals to ponds on nearby hills. This was diverted in 1977 for a bossing development. Since then the Grand Canal, and ponds with neoclassical fountains, often not working, have been on a closed circuit with a shrinking water supply. A motorist was killed in England when his car and trailer were blown off

a flooded road in Dorset by gale-force winds Sunday, the police said. The bad weather swept across the Channel from western France where high winds sheared off some rooftops, uprooted trees, blocked roads and

Demonstrators in Italy protesting unemployment blocked the main north-south highway Monday. Protesters also shut off the coastal high-away near a key southern chemicals plant in Calabria where 333 laid-off. employees of the state-owned Enichem company have been barricaded for the past week.

Two siriuses suspended flights to Zagreb on Monday for "security reasons," airport officials said. Lufthansa and Austrian Airlines made the decision following threats by separatist Serbs to shell the Croatian airports of Zagreb, Pula and Rijeka in retaliation for a Croatian offensive. Swissair, however, decided to continue flights to Zagreb.

About 15,000 French farmers, fishermen and truck drivers will begin an indefinite blockade Wednesday of roads and rail lines leading to Paris to He withdrew after criticism from protest a farm-trade accord between the United States and the European the press and the State Depart-Community, said Rural Coordination, a radical French farm group.

Andreotti Fights Immunity Given in U.S. to Mafia Informers

By John Tagliabue New York Times Service

By Craig R. Whitney
New York Times Service

BONN - Fair game for spies during

the Cold War, Germany has not let down

counterespionage defenses since the col-lapse of Communist regimes in Europe.

German counterspies have caught more agents in the last three years than during

most of the time East Germany and the

Soviet Union existed, the anthorities say.

mains one of the primary targets for for-eign intelligence services," said the annual

report issued late last month by its domes-

tic security and counterintelligence ser-

vice. Simply because of its economic strength and its scientific-technical re-

sources, it offers plenty of opportunities

for espionage activities."

Last week, the counterespionage authorities let it be known that they were hot on the trail of about 30 high-ranking dip-

lomats and career government employees

who had spied for East Germany.

Communism came in 1917 and went in 1939-1991, but spying — the world's second-oldest profession, according to many writers on the subject — goes on.

Both Russia and Poland have kept open fully staffed espionage "residencies" in their embassics and consulates in Germany, the prooft says, although Russia and

ny, the report says, although Russia and

Germany now consider each other friends

and Poland is clamoring to join NATO.

The Federal Republic of Germany re-

ROME - Former Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti has jolted Italian investigators by retaining a former State Department counsel, Abraham D. Solacr, to argue his case to the United States that it should lift the immunity of two Mafia turncoats who asserted that be was linked to the Mafia. Mr. Andreotti, who is under in-

vestigation here on charges of Mafia association has denied having any ties to organized crime.

In retaining Mr. Sofaer, the former prime minister is seeking the mention of the state of the seeking the former prime minister is s

Tommaso Buscetta, whose testimomy in U.S. courts in return for a guarantee against prosecution has led to many convictions of organized crime figures.
The case against Mr. Andreotti is

partly based on the informers' allegations that he was the Mafia's political point man and may have ordered the killing in 1979 of an

In a paper circulated in Washington in recent days, Mr. Sofaer in effect accused the U.S. Justice Department of being party to a cam-paign to discredit Mr. Andreotti. He ridiculed the testimony given by the Mafia informers and demanded that Mr. Andreotti's lawyers be given an opportunity to interrogate

Italian leaders have responded to the move by reaffirming their confidence in anti-Mafia investigators. Justice Minister Giovanni Conso

expressed his backing for the mag-istrates, and President Oscar Luigi Department in the Reagan and tied the Italian leadership, which is Scalfaro said in a speech near Vi-Bush administrations, as a cam-worded about any development cenza that they had the "right to feel our full faith."

Ministry in Berlin.

In Palermo, Giancarlo Caselli, a leading anti-Mafia investigator, said Mr. Soface's paper seemed to be part of an effort to "isolate and strip of legitimacy" the Italian preted the role of Mr. Sofacr, who could face investigation.

in Northern California.

Creek, California.

Mr. Burr died at his vineyard and farm

In mid-August, Mr. Burr completed lo-

in the Sonoma County community of Dry

cation work in Denver for his last Perry Mason TV film, The Case of the Killer

Kiss," reporting to the set at 4 A.M. despite

Besides his role as the murder-solving

lawyer, Mr. Burr starred as a crusty detec-

tive confined to a wheelchair in the series

Toward the end of his life, his illness forced

formula was always the same. Aided by an

Bush administrations, as a cam-paign by Mr. Andreotti to seek po-that could embolden the Malia. litical favors from the United The nervousness appears to arise in

Spies Still Stalk Germany, but Goal Is Economic

Earlier this year the testimony of Mr. Mannoia and Mr. Buscetta led Parliament to lift Mr. Andreotti's tion because of wariness that the magistrates. Investigators inter- parliamentary immunity so he United States might subtly inter-

SAN FRANCISCO - Raymond Burr, and his secretary, Della Street (Barbara less,"

tive confined to a wheelchair in the series as the villain because of his formidable "Ironside," which ran from 1967 to 1975.

Toward the end of his life, his illness forced Among his memorable roles: as the pros-

investigator Paul Drake (William Hopper),

SAN PRANCISCO — Raymond Buir.

and his secretary, Delia Street (barbara 185," "The Adventures of Don Juan," "Key to the City," "Meet Danny Wilson," "Tarzan and the She-Devil," "You're Nev-courtroom hero in the long-running "Perry (William Talman), at trial's end, often with a dramatic courtroom confession from the Comes."

Mr. Burr returned to the courtroom in

Mr. Burr, who was born in Canada

arrived in Hollywood in 1946 after World War II service. He made his film debut in

"San Quentin." He worked steadily, often

Mr. Andreotti's move has unsetpart from a chain of recent bombings in Italy that have killed 10

people and wounded dozens.
The case has also drawn attenvene to protect Italian political

Werner Niefer, 65,

biggest corporation.

Mr. Niefer was vice chairman of Daim-

ler-Benz during the first years of its trans-formation from a traditional automotive

company to the diversified transportation

core Mercedes-Benz operations in 1989.

leaders, who have been among Washington's most loyal European allies in the postwar period.

Earlier this year, Mr. Sofaer was hired to represent the Libyan govcrament in cases stemming from the bombing of a Pan Am jetliner over Lockerbie, Scotland, in 1988. He withdrew after criticism from

Mr. Burr's other films included: "Ruth-less," "The Adventures of Don Juan," "Key to the City," "Meet Danny Wilson," "Turzan and the Sho-Devil," "You're Nev-New York Times Service

Claude Renoir, 79, a movie cameraman and director of photography who was a grandson of the Impressionist painter 1985 for a two-hour movie "Perty Mason. It was the highest rated TV movie that year, prompting periodic returns each season. In all, he made 26 of the Perry Mason. Stuttgart from problems related to lung. Pierre Auguste Renoir, died Sept. 5 in

Critics praised Mr. Renoir's skill in us-ing color and in depicting countrysides. He was a nephew of the film director Jean Renoir and of another Claude Renoir, who produced some of Jean Renoir's movies and died in 1969.

The movies that he filmed included "The and technology giant that is Germany's River" (1951), by Jean Renoir, which was set in India and won critical praise in the

him to use a wheelchair.

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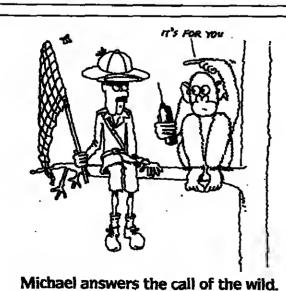
Sir Eoin Higgins, 66, a judge of the High

Republican Army repeatedly tried to as-sassinate, died of an aneurysm Sept. 2 in

The Earl of Westmorland, 69, a former chairman of the Sotheby Parke Bernet Group, the international auction company, died Wednesday in Tetbury, England, near Bristol. The Times of London said he had earlier suffered a stroke. His name was David Anthony Thomas Fane.

Leon Liebgohi, 83, an actor who per-formed for 50 years on the Yiddish stage and starred in movies during the golden age of Yiddish filmmaking in the 1930s, died Sept. 3 in New Hope, Pennsylvania. He starred as the ill-fated son in the 1937 Yiddish film classic, "The Dybbuk."

Bert Walker Okuley, 59, longtime for-eign correspondent for United Press Interational in Asia, died in Hong Kong on Sept. 4, after suffering a stroke.

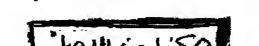


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STATESIDE / A NEW PATH TO HEALTH

Doctors 'Are Not Going to Like' Change, They Say

NEW YORK - President Bill Clinton's proposed overhaul of the health care system goes far beyond simply ensuring access to health care for all Americans, doctors care for all Americans, doctors across the country said in interviews. It would reshape the practice of medicioe, they asserted, change doctor, in what is known as a fee-

es for Korea Tall

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The doctors acknowledged that

Away From Politics

Residents of the flood-ravaged town of Valmeyer,

-Illinois, have voted to move the town to higher ground just to the east, said Mayor Dennis Knob-

loch. Of 239 ballots tabulated in the town of 900

More than half of prisoner deaths in Northeast-

ern states in 1991 were caused by AIDS, according

to a Bureau of Justice Statistics report. Nationally,

28 percent of the 1,863 state prisoners who died in

custody died of AIDS. In New Jersey 69 percent of

the inmate deaths were AIDS-related, as were 66

percent in New York, 44 percent in Florida, 33

people, 66 percent approved of moving.

care down a path it had already Medical Association, said many begun, with more and more doctors doctors were concerned that the as well as the long hours, of practic- organizations. ing alone. In addition, the adminis-

for-service system. But Dr. James Todd, the execu-

MAKING MIAMI SAFER - Governor Lawton Chiles of Florida putting on a bulletproof vest

before touring an area where tourists have been attacked, and in some cases killed. He vowed to

step up security and seek \$4 million in federal aid to help find those who prey on tourists.

doctors and patients are going to resent being forced into pigeon-

holes. Our concern is to maintain

joining health maintenance organizations and giving up the freedom, aged care of health maintenance cess of reforming the delivery system, we are going to destroy the en like cattle from doctor to doc-

> His concerns were echoed by others, even those doctors whom the administration has said would benefit most: primary-care doctors, among them internists, family practitioners and pediatricians, because of an emphasis on basic and preventive services.

"Things are going to change very dramatically," said Dr. Henry W. Murray, who is chief of infectious diseases at Cornell Medical College in New York, "This will he a boon to a large number of people who do oot have good access, but it will magnify the loosening bonds be-

tween doctors and patients."
Dr. Keith L. Black, a neurosurgeon who is head of the brain tumor program at the University of California in Los Angeles, said the developers of the Clintoo plan had "gone well beyond trying to insure the 40 million uninsured."

"They've developed a plan that totally revamps the health care sys-tem with a large amount of government intervention," he said.

Dr. Devra Marcus, an internist plan had been upsetting. "Doctors are, in a bizarre way, grieving," she said. "We feel very sad that what we think is a wonderful institution will be fossilized."

Dr. Stephen Brenner, an internist in private practice in New Haven, Connecticut, expressed similar sentiments. "We're all going to start to play a game that hasn't been invented yet, and nobody knows the rules," he said. "But it's not a game, unfortunately."

The doctors said they were wary of forcing doctors and patients into health maintenance organizations, restricting patients' choices of doctors and limiting their access to specialists in an age when medicine cated and complex.

Although the plan says that people could, for a price, continue to see private doctors, most doctors said they would be forced out of private practice by the way the plan was structured.

Dr. Campbell G. Stalker, a surgeon in Richmond, Virginia, asked: How can the one-man, two-man practice negotiate with vast con-sumer groups? They couldn't offer the right price, and they couldn't cope with the volume."

Dr. D. Keith Crossen of Rich-

a family medical practice, said: "I don't think the consumer knows what's about to hit him in the face. Under these plans, people are driv-

The doctors said they agreed with the idea of cost efficiency. But some questioned whether health maintenance organizations would be as cost effective as the plan ima-

They said that many such plans had kept costs down by excluding the elderly and indigent. Dr. Brenner, who has some patients in health maintenance groups, said the groups had asked him for the health histories of prospective patients before deciding whether to accept them.

And some doctors said they thought patient care would suffer that people who are not well grounded in what the day-to-day practice of medicine is like will he making administrative and bureaucratic decisions that are not compatible with good medical care if all they see is the dollar sign," Dr.

Lean Long-Distance Government

WASHINGTON - Live television call-in shows can be treacherous. But everything was

going smoothly for Al from Washington until Dennis from Los Angeles called in. "In light of government cuts, Mr. Vice President, why is it that the president maintains one office and you maintain five, including one down in Tennessee?" Dennis asked Al Gore last week on

the NBC morning news program, "Today." Mr. Gore, who had been preening a bit as he publicized his well-received plan to "reinvent" government, was pulled up short at this image of himself as an office hog.

The reason is that thousands and thousands of

people in my home state come and ask for help cutting through the red tape and getting answers out of government," be said of his Tennessee office, skipping over his cache of offices on Capitol Hill, io the Old Executive Office Building and in the West Wing of the White House.

What Mr. Gore did not say was that the Tennessee office was nothing more than a perk of the vice

While President Bill Clinton and Mr. Gore want credit for being leaner, meaner Democrats, they must take care not to be outpaced by their changes

or "Gorbacheved," as Republicans put it.
What if people take the vice president at his word, that "with modern communications, it doesn't matter that much where a person's desk

is," and suggest that Mr. Gore go back to Tennessee and keep in touch by beeper?

Cranston, Dole and War of Words

WASHINGTON - Alan Cranston, a former Democratic senator from California, has taken up pen and paper, and his swings at an old foe. Senator Bob Dole of Kansas, the Senate Republican leader, have drawn some counterpunches.

Writing in Rolling Stone magazine, Mr. Cran-ston called Mr. Dole "Senator Gridlock" and the "prince of legislative darkness," saying that his fierce partisanship "spells big trouble in the Sen-ate" for President Bill Clinton.

The good news is that Dole isn't president," he said. "The bad news is that nobody's told him."

In a statement, Mr. Dole called the article "fiction," noting that he had supported Mr. Clinton on the North American Free Trade Agreement, Russian aid and many nominations. He said that he felt "sorry" for Mr. Cranston, who "left the Senate in disgrace" after serving as "a highly partisan liberal Democrat."

Quote/Unquote

Attorney General Janet Reno: "Just keep on doing and saying what you believe is right. Don't

Dr. Devra Marcus, an internist in private practice in Washington, said that reading the details of the rolan had been unsetting. "Doctors Slaying Puts Aristide Return in Question

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti -

The slaying of Antoine Izmery, an outspoken ally of Haiti's exiled president, has raised fears here about whether President Jean-Bertrand Aristide will be able to return and resume his office as planned in

Dante Caputo, the United Nations special envoy, appeared con-fident that Father Aristide would be coming back. "I don't have any doubts," he said. "I know the situation is difficult, but they will not stop us. We are oot going to be stopped by killers."

Mr. Caputo had linked the Portau-Prince police chief, Lieutenant Colonel Michel François, to gunmen involved in violence against supporters of Father Aristide, but in a telephone interview he refused to comment on those remarks,

In a Reuters report Mr. Caputo was quoted as saying that the killers had acted with the complicity of certain officers, "mainly Colonel François," but had not necessarily been soldiers or police officers.

Witnesses described the plainclothes bandits who shot Mr. Izmery and who beat people outside the office of Mayor Evans Paul last They'll shoot him, too.' A young student added: "My

known here as "attachés."

Under an agreement mediated by the United Nations between Father Aristide and Lieutenant Colooel Raoul Cedras, the army chief, who overthrew him almost two years ago, the popular priest is to return to power and the command-er in chief is to step down.

All the same, after weeks of vio-lent and increasingly overt human rights ahuses, the death of Mr. Izmery, a wealthy financial supporter of Father Aristide's, has cast a shadow over preparations for the president's return, which is scheduled for Oct. 30. Mr. Izmery was gunned down

Saturday at Sacrè-Coeur Church in the capital just after attending a Mass he had organized in memory of the victims of a massacre at Father Aristide's parish five years

For some people, the killing was the turning point.

"The situation makes it doubtful," said one man, who, like almost everybody who spoke, refused to give his name for fear of repri-sals. "Aristide can't come back.

An elderly woman said she supported Father Aristide in his landslide 1990 general election victory and hoped he would return. But getting the military anthorities to relinquish their grip and the advantages they have amassed over two years in power will not be easy, she

"The army simply does oot want democracy," she said.

Conviocing the army and the police that it is in their best interests in an effort to control the violence. to give up the fight is the problem now facing diplomats and the twoweek-old government of Prime Minister Robert Malval.

portedly told them to disarm the hundreds of police auxiliaries who are thought to be responsible for Mr. Caputo was to return to New

York on Sunday but stayed to the country to continue meetings with those involved in the crisis. The first of hundreds of technical advisers who will help professionalize the military and the police

started to arrive in Haiti last week Officials close to the cabinet said Mr. Malval, at a meeting with diplomats Saturday evening, stressed the oeed for strong international backing for his new government.

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hit Mexico's Pacific coast, but weakened into a

tropical storm as it moved northeast across the

A man charged with killing a state trooper during a neighborhood dispute hanged himself in his jail cell in Harrisville, West Virginia, the police said.

The suspect, Dennis Ferguson, 68, apparently used a torn bed sheet to kill himself. He had been held

without bail while awaiting trial Oct. 25 on one

Carolina and Massachusetts, the bureau said.

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SHALOM, SALAAM, PEACE / ADDING TO THE AGENDA

'Enough of Blood and Tears'

Following are excerpts from statements by Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin of Isroel; Yasser Arafat, chairman of the Palestine Liberation Organization, and President Bill Clinton at the White House cere-

Prime Minister Rabin

We have come from Jerusalem, the ancient and eternal capital of the Jewish people. We have come from an anguished and grieving land. We have come from a people, a home, a family that has not known a single year, not a single month, in which mothers have not wept for their sons.

We have come to try and put an end to the hostilities so that our children, our children's children, will no longer experience the painful cost of war, violence and terror. We have come to secure their lives and to ease the sorrow and the painful memories of the past, to hope and pray for peace.

Let me say to you, the Palestinians, we are destined to live together on the same soil in the

We, the soldiers who have returned from battles stained with blood; we who have seen our relatives and friends killed before our eyes; we who have attended their funerals and cannot look into the eyes of their parents; we who have come from a land where parents bury their children; we who have fought against you, the Palestinians, we say to you today in a loud and a clear voice, enough of blood and tears. Enough!

We are today giving peace a chance and saying again to you, enough. Let us pray that a day will come when we all will say farewell to the arms.

We wish to open a new chapter in the sad book. of our lives together, a chapter of mutual recogni-tion, of good neighborliness, of mutual respect, of understanding. We hope to embark on a new era in the history of the Middle East.



Mr. Arafat

My people are hoping that this agreement which we are signing today marks the beginning of the end of a chapter of pain and suffering which has lasted throughout this century. -

My people are hoping that this agreement which we are signing today will usher in an age of peace, co-existence and equal rights.

Now, as we stand on the threshold of this new historic era, let me address the people of Israel and their leaders, with whom we are meeting today for the first time, and let me assure them that the difficult decision we reached together was one that required great and exceptional courage.

We will need more courage and determination to continue the course of building coexistence and peace between us. This is possible and it will happen with mutual determination and with the effort that will be made with all parties on all the tracks to establish the foundations of a just and comprehensive peace.

Our people do oot consider that exercising the right to self-determination could violate the rights of their oeighbors or infringe oo their security. Rather, putting an end to their feelings of being wronged and of having suffered an historic injus-tice is the strongest guarantee to achieve coexis-

tence and openness between our two peoples and future generations. Our two peoples are awaiting today this historic

hope, and they want to give peace a real chance. Such a shift will give us an opportunity to embark upon the process of economic, social and cultural growth and development, and we hope that interpational participation in that process will be exten-

President Clinton

Throughout this century, bitterness between the Palestinian and Jewish people has robbed the entire region of its resources, its potential and too many of its sons and daughters. The land has been so drenched in warfare and hatred that conflicting. claims of history etched so deeply in the souls of the combatants there that many believe the past would always have the upper hand.

Now the efforts of all who have labored before us hring us to this moment, a moment when we dare to pledge what for so seemed difficult even to

terrorists. That was the theme of the speakers as they briefly addressed the audience of 3,000 seat-

ed on folding chairs and applaud-ing the sentiments of these leaders, especially the Israelis who were sur-

rendering land with fewer guaran-tees than most outsiders had ever

thought possible.

Hidden from the ceremony by
the White House gates, protesters

angry black-hatted Jews and

equally irate Arab activists - de-

nounced the peace accord as a dan-

gerous betrayal and promised new

One by one, four officials sat at

One by one, four ornerais sai at the table to sign the book-like document: the Israeli foreign minister, Shimon Peres; then Mahmoud Abbas, the Palestinian who negotiated

its terms during secret meetings in Norway: then Secretary of State

Warren M. Christopher, and final-

from the intifada," she said.

imagine: that the security of the Israeli people will be reconciled with the hopes of the Palestinian people, and there will be more security and more

Today, the leadership of Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organization will sign a declaration of principles on interim Palestinian self-government. It charts a course toward reconciliation between two peoples who have both known the bitterness of

Now both pledge to put old sorrows and antago-nisms behind them and to work for a shared future, shaped by the values of the Torah, the Koran and

Let us salute also today the government of Norway for its remarkable role in ourturing this agreement. But of all - above all - let us today pay tribute to the leaders who had the courage to lead their people toward peace, away from the scars of battle, the wounds and the losses of the

past, toward a brighter tomorrow. There was a time when the traffic of ideas and commerce and pilgrims flowed uninterrupted among the cities of the fertile crescent. In Spain, in the Middle East, Muslims and Jews once worked together to write brilliant chapters in the history of literature and science. All this can come to pass

Mr. Prime Minister, Mr. Chairman, I pledge the active support of the United States of America to the difficult work that lies ahead. The United States is committed to ensuring that the people who are affected by this agreement will be made more secure by it, and to leading the world in marshaling the resources necessary to implement the difficult details that will make real the principles to which you commit yourselves today.

For too long, the young of the Middle East have been caught in a web of hatred oot of their own making. For too long, they have been taught from the chronicles of war. Now, we can give them the chance to know the seasoo of peace. For them, we must realize the prophecy of

Isaiah, that the cry violence shall oo more be heard in your land, nor rack nor ruin within your bor-

The children of Abraham, the descendants of Isaac and Ishmael, have embarked together on a bold journey. Together, today, with all our hearts and all our souls, we hid them Shalom, Salzam,

An 'Optimistic' Jordan Discloses Its Peace Plan

By Chris Hedges New York Times Service

AMMAN, Jordan - Senior Jordanian officials for the first time have outlined the basis of planned negotiations with Israel in a detailed agenda that has been approved by

The agenda is the first step toward the establishment of diplomatic relations and a peace treaty between Israel and Jordan, according to a draft of the document.

The final document, which will not be made public until Tuesday but bears a close resemblance to the draft, senior government officials say, will be formally accepted by the Israelis and the Jordanians after the White House meeting between Yasser Arafat, the Palestinian Liberation Organization chairman, and Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin of Israel.

Jordanian officials said that the country's delegation to Mideast peace talks in Washington would not sign any document with Israeli officials. They did say that the Jordanian delegation unight be allowed to initial the agenda with their Israeli counterparts.

The agenda calls for a series of agreements on water resources, boundary disputes, the plight of the t.5 million Palestinian refugees in Jordan, and the dismantling of weap-

Jordanian officials said they were "optimistic" about resolving the outstanding issues, but cautioned that it would take two or three years to bring about peace between the two

neighboring countries. Any actual peace treaty, they said, would be signed only after the Palestinians had complete sovereignty over the territory they controlled in the Israeli-occupied West Bank

Jordanian officials said the most difficult dispute facing the two countries was the repatriation of the 1.5 million Palestinian refugees in Jordan.

"The toughest issue will be the status of the refugees,"
Jowad Anani, the minister of state for the prime minister's

But Jordanian officials insist that they cannot be expected to continue to absorb the cost of housing and maintaining such a huge refugee population. They say that any bilateral agreement must contain some solution to the problem, especially for the million or so Palestinians and their descendants who left homes inside Israel after the 1948 war.

There are other difficult issues that must be resolved by the Israelis and Jordanians, including the Dimona ouclear power plant near the Jordanian border, the refusal to allow Jordanian exports into the occupied territories, the alloca-tion of scarce water resources and the final demarcation of the common frontier.

"There are two or three security dimensions," Mr. Anani said. "We have to prevent infiltration across the border. discuss the positioning of troops and not intervene to each other's business. Jordan will also raise a very thorny issue as far as Israel is concerned, and that is the Dimona ovelear reactor, which is near the Jordanian border, We do not want another Chernobyl."

The Jordanians say the Israelis, however, insist that the reactor is part of Israel's defense program, established to counter a threat from countries that have advanced ouclear weapons programs, like Iraq and Iran.

The issue of water is especially important to Jordan. The country of 4 million has a water shortage and has had to introduce rationing. But Jordanian officials involved in the talks said they believed that the Israelis appeared ready to accept Jordanian demands.

Finally, the Jordanians say they will call on Israel to allow them to export Jordanian products to the Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip. Jordan, under Israeli law, has been unable to export into the occupied territories.

2 Sides Put Aside **Historical Enmity** In Reaching Accord

By Barry James International Herald Tribune

Throughout the 46-year Israeli-Arab conflict, history has been a powerful presence and an obstacle to peace.

Each side has used millennial

myth to buttress its arguments in the modern struggle.

Jews see themselves as heirs of a

beritage that traces back to Abraham through his son Isaac. by the same land where ancient Palestinian Muslims, who occunaanites once smote ancient Israelites, trace their lineage to Abra-

ham through another son, Ishmael. Palestinians living in Lebanon and Jordan or farther afield can still produce the deeds and keys to the houses, shops and factories that they or their families abandoned in Jaffa and other towns or villages that now belong to Israel.

Palestinians opposed to the egreement that was solemnized on the White House lawn Monday argue that it promises no bomecoming for 2 million Palestinians scattered in a Middle Eastern diaspora outside the West Bank and Gaza

History is equally dogmatic for the Israelis. Religious fundamen-talists argue that more than 100,000 Israeli settlers on the West Bank are not occupying Arab land but reclaiming a biblical birthright called Judea and Samaria. When President Anwar Sadat of Egypt made his courageous and lonely trip to the Israeli Knesset, or parliament, in 1977, be had to listen as Prime Minister Menachem Begin evoked the biblical story of David

For all these historical undercurrents, the Arab-Israeli conflict is mostly a product of this century. Jews fleeing Russian pogroms began arriving in Palestine, then a launched their intifiada, or uprising, province of the Ottoman Empire, in the 1880s, and the Zionist leader. ber 1988, and Israel replied with Theodor Herzl envisaged for the Jewish people "a home in Palestine secured by public law."

After World War I, when Britain

took over Palestine under a League of Nations mandate, Arabs still made up 92 percent of the population of what is now Israel and the

West Bank, The 1917 Balfour Declaration, which promised the Jew-ish people the home evoked by Mr. Herzl, was followed by an increasingly large Jewish immigration that surged after World War II as survivors of the Holocaust streamed

United Nations Resolution 181 of November 1947 partitioned Palestine into independent Jewish and Arab states and placed Jerusalem under international protection.

Israel accepted the plan. The Ar-abs rejected it and attacked the fledgling state of Israel the day fol-lowing its creation on May 14, 1948. The war and the Jewish victory provoked the departure of 700,000 Arabs, leading to the creation of the vast refugee camps that, still exist in Gaza, Jordan and Leb-

A second wave of Palestinians was swept into what Mr. Clinton called "the bitterness of exile" after the Six-Day War in June 1967, when Israel occupied East Jerusa-lem, the West Bank, the Gaza Strip, the Sinai Desert and the Golan

Egypt and Syria sought to regain the lost ground by attacking Israel in the Yom Kippur War of October 1973 but were driven back.

President Sadat's trip to Jerusalem set in motion a peace process that brought about the return of the captured Sinai. The Camp David agreement signed in Washington in 1978 contained the framework for the accord signed in Washington ou Monday.

Palestinians rejected the Camp David agreement, for which Mr. Sadat paid with his life in 1981.

ber 1988, and Israel replied with overwhelming military force, critics both in Israel and abroad began asking which was now David, and which Goliath.

But Israel's election in June last year of a government pledged to pursue peace led, via Osio, to the White House lawn.

The Timetable for Peace

The Declaration of Principles on Palestinian self-rule signed Monday in Washington emisages a 10-month limetable leading up to elections for a Palestinian Coun-

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Condemn Violence, Clinton

By Jim Hoagland

Tells Arafat

Washington Post Service
WASHINGTON — President
Bill Clinton has called on Yasser Arafat to condemn attacks by militant Islamic Palestioians. Such condemnation would show that the Palestine Liberation Organization is genuinely committed to carrying out the Israeli-Palestinian peace accord, the president said.

They have committed," Mr. Clinton said of the PLO in response to a question about attacks in the occupied Gaza Strip and in

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Israel.
"Mr. Arafat has said that he is not only renouncing violence," he added, "but he is going to condemn violence and, at least in those areas which would be under the government of the Palestinians, take the responsibility" for halting violence.

Io an expansive, upbeat interview in the Oval Office the day before the signing of the agreement between Israel and the PLO, the president voiced his hope that the ceremony on Monday would em-phasize to Arabs and Israelis the strong U.S. commitment to helping make the accord work, while showing Americans that U.S. involve-ment abroad can change the world in positive ways. But on two other foreign prob-

lem areas, Somalia and Bosnia, Mr. Clintoo sounded notes of caution. On Somalia, he said the United States hoped other United Nations members would send the replacements long expected for the U.S. troops oow there. He added that if U.S. troops were to be deployed in Bosnia, "there ought to be a limit as to how long we or anyone else would be there before someone else comes forward."

The signing ceremony began an active two-week period in which the president will articulate and push his agenda for foreign trade. economic development and world peace, subjects be wove together throughout the interview. He bridled at suggestions that he

was lukewarm about the North American Free Trade Agreement, which would gradually eliminate Canadian, Mexican and U.S. tariffs. He said he would actively fight

"Imagine where we would be to-the on NAFTA, or on many other things, if that budget had not been passed," Mr. Clinton said. "We had to move on that first."

he said. "In 30 days, I don't think you will hear many say I am luke-warm about NAFTA." Mr. Clinton is also pushing to get the long-stalled multinational trade negotiations - the so-called Uru-

guay Round — moving again, despite new demands from France that imperil the talks.

He said he would oppose reopening discussions over a U.S.-European Community agricultural accord.

as France had recently requested. You run the risk of having to do the Uruguay Round without agriculture if you reopen that agree-ment," Mr. Clinton said.

Shots Are Fired At Saudi Palace.

DUBAL, United Arab Emirates A gunman described as de-ranged attacked the palace of King Fahd of Saudi Arabia in Jidda on Monday and injured two people before he was captured, the Saudi Press Agency reported.

The agency did not say whether

ciples, sets forth in some specifics and some generalities that Israel will, during an interim. five-year period, withdraw its military forces from the Gaza Strip and from populated areas of the West Rank — initially from the city of

The press agency, quoting a Sau-di security source, said, "It became clear on examining the attacker that he was in an unnatural condi-

It said the man had driven quickly through a gate of the palace as another car was leaving the couryard. The report said he had then sped toward the main door, got out and started shooting in the direction of the door, seriously injuring one of the guards.

The attack was the first reported on a royal target in Saudi Arabia since the assassination of King Fahd's elder brother, King Faisal,



Among the guests at the White House ceremony Monday were Leah Rabin, Hillary Rodham Clinton, James Carter and George Bush. 2 Are Injured

For Mrs. Arafat, New Role And 'Great Responsibilities'

NEW YORK - Soha Arafat, wife of Yasser Arafat, the Palestine Liberation Organization chairman, said Monday that she was ready to assume her new responsibilities beside her husband as an agreement between Israel and the PLO was signed in Twishington.

"I have to assume great responsibilities," she added, "I have to be there when we go to our homeland next to my people."

Palestinians "to compensate for these very, very long years of Mrs. Arafat, a Christian born in the West Bank, married Mr.

Arafat, 64, last year. She said one of ber responsibilities would be to provide health care for those who had suffered in the Israelioccupied territories,
"We have to take health care of them, because we have invalids

She gave viewers a short tour of her home and showed photo-

graphs of Mr. Arafat as a young man, including shots of him as a 25-year-old civil engineering student on a trip to China.

For the White House planners of

the ceremony, it was vital to ensure, as one U.S. official put it, that "the parties will do the right thing to symbolize the importance of the By every measure, the most tell-

SCENE: Symbols Abound at White House Ceremony

seemed to reflect some ultimate primacy of unwritten bonds in the politics of the Middle East. "It's important, both symbolical-

Arafat, witnessing in person the contract signed by their foreign-policy aides. Their tangible pres-

ly and substantively, that the two leaders are there and are involved," Mr. Christopher said before the

It was particularly important in

In an interview from the Arafat home in Tunis, broadcast by CNN, Mrs. Arafat, 29, appeared relaxed and smiling, "People from all over the world will come to our new homeland and we will do a great job, I hope," she said.

Mrs. Arafat said she would work for international support for

ly Andrei V. Kosyrev, foreign min-ister of Russia, the official co-spon-sor along with Washington of the usual decision-making structure" that puts a premium on the leader's authority. It was a tactful way of saying that Mr. Arafat has a reputation for sometimes walking away

In broader practical terms, the White House offered its prestigious setting in hope of helping the Israe-li government and the PLO leader-ship. To ensure that they were not excluded from the ceremony, Euroing symbol was the physical pres-ence of the Israeli leaders and Mr. pean and some Arab governments late last week firmed up their promises of financial help to both

> To reassure his followers that he had not succumbed to the charms of becoming a prime minister, Mr. Arafat wore the uniform and Arab headdress associated with the guer-rilla war he launched in 1968. It will still take time for a Pales-

> tinian state to emerge - a fact signaled by the absence of any flags at the White House signing.
> The Israeli leaders rejected White House suggestions of a state banquet on Monday night, saying that they needed to return home

promptly to promote support for This meant that Israeli leaders met Monday afternoon with President Bill Clinton, who joined the Israelis in shunning any bilateral talks with Mr. Arafat — a way to underscore Israel's unique stature in the United States and the intimacy of Israeli leaders with their

American counterparts. But Mr. Arafat got what he needed, ton, on his first trip to Washington after being barred for more than a decade from setting foot in the United States. With the other side out of town, Mr. Arafat was scheduled for extensive exposure in

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ACCORD: Israel and PLO Sign Pact as Clinton Hails 'Brave Gamble' Condumed from Page 1 Monday, containing 17 articles, four annexes, and several attached understandings, is an interim road map providing a route toward what

committed to act as a go-between in crucial

The day's shattered precedents and rich symbols seemed nearly overwhelming. Because the PLO is not a sovereign state like Israel, no flags flew on the White House lawn, as they had in 1979 when the Camp David accords were signed by Menachem Begin of Israel and Anwar Sadat of Egypt. Nor did Mr. Clinton formally receive Mr. Arafat in the Oval Office, as

he did Mr. Rabin. The United States has re-opened a "dialogue" with the PLO, but has not formally recognized it. But the very presence in Washington of Mr. Arafat, wearing his trademark black-and-white kefiyah and olive dress uniform, amazed many. The PLO leader smiled frequently and initiated the handshakes with Mr. Rabin; the former Israeli general was characteristically stoic

Mr. Rabin's remarks emphasized the need to honor the dead martyrs of war and terrorism by creating real peace. Mr. Arafat stressed the nced for economic development and for adherence to principles of human rights and democ-

in addition to publicly committing Israel and the PLO to progress in their future talks on a permanent peace, the ceremony elevated the United States to a new level of assistance as an underwriter of the process.

"I pledge the active support of the United States of America to the difficult task that lies ahead," Mr. Clinton said. Later, Secretary of State Warren M. Christoper declared that "this Israeli-Palestinian agreement cannot be permitted to fail."

More dramatically, the signing placed Mr. Arafat on a stage that he had never previously been able to mount. Suddenly, he enjoyed equal footing with Israel's leaders and a handshake with the president of the United States at the White House

Many of the key figures in the ceremony said beforehand that it was of secondary importance to the breakthrough last week in which Israel and the PLO agreed to recognize each other's legitimacy and in which the PLO renounced terrorism and other violence.

of the West Bank - initially from the city of Jericho - and turn over to the Palestinians limited control over their own affairs. At the morning ceremony, by prior arrangenent, the Declaration of Principles was signed by Mr. Peres and Mr. Abbas, the PLO Executive Committee member who undertook the

all hope will be a permanent peace agreement.
The document, called a Declaration of Prin-

way that led to the agreement The accord was also signed by Mr. Christopher and the Russian foreign minister, Andrei V. Kozyrev, representing the official co-spon-sors of ongoing Middle East peace talks. In a telling symbol of the end of the Cold War and the new dawn in the Middle East, it was Mr. gitimacy and in which the PLO renounced knows and other violence.

Nevertheless, the long document signed with Mr. Arafat and Mr. Abbas.

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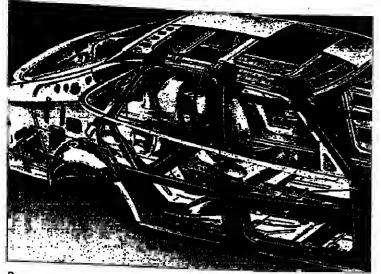
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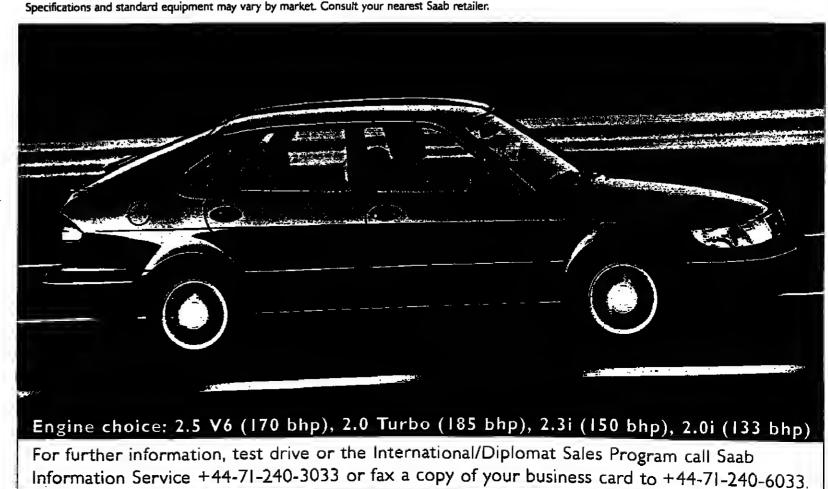
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A Sweep Nets 150 in Punjab India Police Seeking Bombers Who Killed 8

NEW DELHI - The police arrested about 150 people in Punjab has been targeted by Sikh extremon Monday while searching for guerrillas who planted a car bomb that killed eight people in central New Delhi.

Three terrorist groups in Punjab, a state bordering the capital, have police informer in the 1980s, later said they planted the bomb that joined the Congress Party and exploded Saturday outside the emerged as one of its most vocal youth wing of the governing Con- opponents of Punjab's war of indeeress (1) Party.

The attack, which occurred near Parliament, was apparently aimed defeated many guerrilla groups in

BHOPAL: Aid Goes to 'Vultures'

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hour shift, and patients lie on the floors of hospital corridors for up to three days waiting for beds to become available. Medicines that are supposed to be given free to victims are often unavailable because hospital staffers sell them out the back door to local shopkeepers.

Government has poured \$75 million into relief programs ranging from construction of 12 hospitals to building 1,000 apartments for widows of victims. But much of the money has been funneled into bloated relief bureaucracies and mismanaged projects.

Virtually every level of the relief bureaucracy is rife with corruption. Government officials demand bribes from illiterate victims trying to obtain documents required for relief money; doctors take bribes from victims to tesufy in their court cases: and unscrupulous agents fish for hribes by claiming they can get victims' cases moved to the front of the crowded dockets.

Inefficient government agencies have been overwhelmed by the task of identifying more than 600,000 gas-affected people, the majority of whom live in slums where mail delivery and other basic services are virtually nonexistent. As a result, thousands of people reportedly have filed fake claims using forged medical documents and other bogus evidence, clogging programs struggling to serve legitimate vic-

While many of the problems of corruption, mismanagement and overtaxed facilities are widespread in the government, doctors, lawyers at the president of the Youth Congress, Maninder Singh Bitta, who ists from Punjab twice before. Mr. Bitta still walks with crutches because a terrorist attack last year

destroyed one of his ankles. Mr. Bitta, a Sikh who served as a

India's police and soldiers have

and government officials say the amount of money involved in the relief programs and the suffering endured by more than half the resi-

dents of this city for almost a decade make this an exceptional case. even by Indian standards. To drive through the streets of Old Bhopal, where the gas was most lethal, is to see a city reliving a nine-year-old tragedy every day. Hundreds of people line up each morning at dozens of government "identification centers" to apply

for interim relief payments equivalent to \$6.45 a month. The payments, which began three years ago, are supposed to tide them over until the overbooked courts can hear their claims cases. Although people continue to die every week from gas-related complications -medical authorities

variously estimate the death toll now at anywhere from 4,000 to 14,000. A second generation of victims, children born since the accident whose parents were gas victims — is believed to be suffering. and in many cases dying, as a result of the 1984 disaster.

Union Carbide extricated itself from relief efforts in 1989 by agreeing to pay the Indian government \$470 million to be divided among victims and their families, a sum that outraged many Indians who charged that the American chemical company got away with paying only a fraction of what its liabilities would have been in an industrial-

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Punjab, but they are still seeking some of their leaders and skirmishing nearly every day with terrorists.
At least 17,000 people have been killed during the 10-year insurgen-

On Monday, the police guaned down seven suspected militants in several confrontations around the

The Khalistan Liberation Force. the Khalistan Commando Force, and the Bhindranwale Tiger Force of Khalistan - terrorist groups that Punjabi police had claimed to bave wiped out - took responsibility for the bombing, newspapers said Monday.

The groups are among a dozen that have been fighting in Punjab for an independent state of Khalistan for Sikhs, who form 2 percent of the 880 million people in pre-dominantly Hindu India.

A prominent opposition Sikh politician, Jagdev Singh Talwandi, said that the explosion, set off in a high-security zone near Parliament, indicated that "terrorism was very much alive."
"Terrorism has now spilled into other parts of the country," Mr.

The police bave offered a 500,000 rupee (\$16,000) reward for information about the blast, which killed three of Mr. Bitta's bodyguards and five civilians, and in-

jured at least 35 people. The police also are looking for one of the injured who escaped from a hospital on Sunday. Dayal Singh, believed to be a cigarette vendor, may have been the person who pressed the remote control button that set off the two bombs in a car, newspapers said.

On Monday, squads of police-men and paramilitary soldiers raided suspected guerrilla hideouts across Punjab, arresting about 150 people, the press agency United News of India reported.

The police are looking for Kul-deep Singh Keepa and Navdeep Singh Khalsa, two militants who reportedly specialize in making car bombs, newspapers reported Mon-

Mr. Khalsa, a former teacher in an engineering college, assembled car bombs used in two previous "We feel we fulfilled our obliga-tions in 1989," a Union Carbide attacks, according to the police, (AP, AFP)



RAINING ON HIS PARADE — Emperor Akihito of Japan and Empress Michiko at the Cologne-Bonn airport Monday, where heavy rain marred their arrival. At a banquet later, President Richard von Weizsäcker said that Germany and Japan must confront their wartime past. "Only if we accept it and take the lessons of history to heart can we hope to live up to the demands of the future," he said.

JAPAN: Some Say It Will 'Take a Sledgehammer' to Fix the Government

tration's agenda for opening Japanese markets.

has become the latest buzzword. "It is perfectly acceptable to say things now that five years ago were not acceptable at all," said Karel Yan Wolfaren a Turk of the world's the world Van Wolferen, a Dutch journalist

apparatus from politicians.
One of the key tenets of the sevpolicy experts.

Responding to the new mood, the prime minister and his cabinet nounced as trivial. have put forward a dizzying array of proposals. As his first priority, litical contributions.

His government has also said it will stimulate the flagging econo-my, which is threatening to slip back into recession after brief signs of a recovery; restructure the tax

duce the yawning trade surplus. At Mr. Hosokawa's insistence, whose influential book, "The Enig-ma of Japanese Power," argued the bureaucrats recently put forthat bureaucrats had long ago ward a list of 60 regulations that seized control of the policy-making could be scrapped or eased, a sort

of deregulatory downpayment. These ranged from lowering the en-party coalition government, for minimum production levels before instance, is that politicians must a beer brewery can obtain a license retake the policy initiative back to permitting the sale, rather than from the bureaucracy. There is the mere leasing, of cellular teleeven talk of giving the prime minis-ter's office something it has never strictions on trucking and taxi fares had, a large staff of independent and make it easier to import construction materials.

But the list was quickly de-

"We cannot remove the impres-sion that the ministries are loafing Mr. Hosokawa has promised to re- on the job by offering piecemeal make the discredited electoral sysproposals," snapped Kozo Uchida,
tem, creating a new kind of election an official of the Keidanren, a trade district and tightening laws on po- group that represents Japan's largest corporations.

So the Keidanren responded with its own list of 30 regulations it proposed changing, from ending restrictions on department store hours to reducing the price of wheat and cutting electricity and gas rates.

Although popular sentiment has traditionally had only slight impact on government policies, the Hosokawa government is drawing on the growing recognition that the benefits of Japan's extraordinary economic success have not been shared with consumers, who pay astronomical prices, live in relatively small homes that are long commutes from their workplaces and

For instance, only 47 percent of Japanese live in bomes connected to sewage treatment plants, with the rest relying on septic tanks or other facilities.

In a recent government survey, a minuscule 4.8 percent of those queried said their lives had improved over the last year, and only 17.7 percent said they expected a better life in the future.

Despite the frailty of Mr. Hosokawa's coalition, his clean image and boldness in speaking out have carned him the highest approval ratings in the postwar era, about 70 percent, according to several news-paper opinion polls published on

Wounds 3 **Americans** In Somalia The Associated Press

Gun Battle

MOGADISHU, Somalia -United Nations troops battled Somali gunmen on the streets of Mogadishu for nearly three hours Mon-day, and a UN spokesman said that three U.S. soldiers were wounded. U.S. Blackhawk and Cobra heli-

copters raked the area with long bursts of machine gun and cannon fire. Grenade explosions and the bursts of automatic weapons also could be heard almost constantly. Reporters who managed to reach

the UN headquarters via circuitous back roads found the gates of the heavily fortified compound closed and were unable to enter.

The battle apparently began when American and Malaysian soldiers came under fire as they were conducting n search for illegal weapons. The exchange of gunfire was sporadic at first, but quickly grew in intensity.

The battle appeared to be as fierce as the one Thursday when U.S. and Pakistani peacekeepers were ambushed as they were clear-ing roadblocks in another part of southern Mogadishu.

One Pakistani was killed and two

Pakistanis and three Americans were wounded in that fighting. UN officials called Thursday's

battle the most significant in terms of numbers of attackers since 24 Pakistani peacekeepers were killed in ambushes on June 5. It also was the first time that

Somalis bad willingly engaged heavily armored vehicles. In that battle, Cobra gunships laid down withering fire to help the ground troops withdraw.

Rabin and Arafat Shared A Brief, Private Moment

JERUSALEM - Yitzhak Rabin and Yasser Arafat spoke to each other at the White House about the hard work needed to make their

peace accord succeed, President Bill Clinton said Monday. "Before we came out, Mr. Rabin and Mr. Arafat were alone in the Bine Room upstairs with me and we walked down together, when everyone else had left, and they had not spoken at the time of the reception." Mr. Clinton told Israel Television in an interview.
"But they looked at each other, really clearly in the eye, for the

first time, and the prime minister said: You know we are going to have to work very hard to make this work.

"And Arafat said: "I know, and I am prepared to do my part." Mr. Clinton said that both men immediately exchanged about three sentences — "right to business, no pleasantries."
"I thought they were both quite serious," he said.

ARABS: Jubilation in Gaza Strip

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Palestinian refugees living in

refugees participated. And else-where there were scenes of joy as Palestinians watched on television

as Mr. Arafat shook the hand of

Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin of Israel on the White House lawn.

Palestinians deported by Israel and awaiting repatriation raised black

flags to protest the signing. Some retreated to their tents and wept.

Paris Home

Of Arafat Kin

PARIS - Introders rausacked the Paris homes of

Yasser Arafat's mother-in-law

and the former Palestine Lib-

eration Organization repre-

sentative to France over the

weekend, the police said Mon-

theft and breaking and enter-ing involving Palestinian per-

sonalities," a French police

Both residences were empty

when the incidents occurred

carly Sunday. The police did

not say what was stolen or whether they thought the at-

tacks were linked to the sign-

ing of the Israeli-Palestinian

spokeswoman said.

There were two cases of

Is Ransacked

In southern Lebanon, some 200

by Israeli soldiers looking for fugitives. Now, the house has been rebuilt and so have his hopes.

But the strike did not deter 14year-old Ahmed Samouni from unfurling the Palestinian flag on the Gaza beachfront. His mother had sewn for him the red, green, black and white banner only Monday morning, giving one to each of his nine brothers. From the Erez Checkpoint in the

tinian nation, and it was illegal to fly the Palestinian flag. Soldiers forced youths to take them down and to whitewash the flag when it was painted on walls. But on Monday in Gaza, a group of youths was freely painting a mammoth Pales-tinian flag on the side of the wall.

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· But a couple of soldiers in the

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from abroad. "We are waiting for changing soon.

Our government to tell us to throw "Next time I come back it will be our government to tell us to throw away our Israeli identity cards and without these clothes, said one soldier His commander who care to take Palestinian cards," said Mohammed Masrouh, whose bouse in the Deir el Balah refugee camp was rocketed earlier this year they want. They asked me, and I told them its O.K. to fly the flags. I told them to do anything they

"We expect to get Palestinian want."

Passports in the next few months,"

Violent Lebanon Protest he said. "We think things will be better. The government will be Pal-

countries neighboring Israel dem-onstrated against the peace accord, and in Lebanon security forces estiman — our people." The day began in Gaza with a general strike called by the militant Islamic groups Hamas and Islamic fired on protesters, killing 7 and wounding 41. The Associated Press Jihad. Most of the shops were reported. closed. Several mosques, strong-holds of Hamas, flew black flags in a sign of protest but in general the About 500 supporters of the Ira-nian-backed militant group Hez-bollah, or the Party of God, marched in Beirut's southern sub-Islamic opposition kept a low pro-

urb of Ghobeir in defiance of a government ban on demonstrations. They came under fire when they refused to disperse. In rallies in Jordan and Syria, Palestinians tore up pictures of Mr. Arafat, burned Israeli flags, marched angrily through the streets and promised to wreck the PLO-But although the protests were strident, only a fraction of the region's hundreds of thousands of

north to the Egyptian border in the south. Gaza was under the Palestinian flag today. Huge banners were furled from the rooftops of four-story villas. As schools let out, children put small flags on sticks and raced up and down the alleys. The flags were potent symbols. For a long time, Israelis refused to recognize the existence of a Pales-

For all the celebrating, however, some things in Gaza have yet to change. Israeli Army patrols were still walking the streets with guns drawn. The Israelis still forbid Ga-

zans from passing the army jeeps on the road. The Israelis still control access to the wharf, too, where every boat owner has to be licensed, and Israel sets rules on how far they can fish in either direction and what color the boat should be

wharf checkpoint had the distinct

to inform you that Mr. Wolfgang MAUCH died on September 10, 1993 following an automobile accident. The funeral will take place in Paris, on September 15, 1993. For any information

peace agreement.
The PLO's Paris office confirmed the incidents but said it had no further information

ISRAEL: Bitter Medicine

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insisting that Monday a Palestinian state was born that may one day spell Israel's doom. But several opinion polls pub-lished in the last few days show that

Israelis endorse the Israeli-PLO deal by a margin of about 3 to 2. In an interview during the weekend, Mr. Rabin allowed that no one could guarantee that this perceived majority would last, especially if hopes for peace turned to dross, But for now, he has popular sup-port, Mr. Rabin insisted, and the

Shenhay house Monday evening was a fair cross section of that ma-Some embraced the peace plan warmly. Yoav Ben-David, an art student in Jerusalem, called the

agreement "kind of a dream, although it's not that I love Arafat." impression that all that would be Some, like Mira Alhassid, who dated Palestine as a young girl in soldier. His commander, who gave 1925, said a reluctant "yes" to this his name as Alon, looked down at new world that she hoped was the boats and commented: "After brave and not foolish. Mrs. Alhasthe peace, they can do anything sid conceded that she was worried, however, and the deaths of four Israelis and three palestinians on

Sunday provided no reassurance. "I'm not greatly thrilled about this," she said after the speeches were done and the television was shut off. "I don't think Arafat has any influence over the terrorists. and we haven't heard the end of

them. It troubled Mr. Shenhav's wife, Sharon, a lawyer, that in his speech Mr. Arafat had offered no reassuring gesture to Israelis that he would work hard to suppress PLO terror-ism, as he promised in his mutualrecognition agreement with Mr. Rabin last week. And as soon as she heard him raise the issue of Jerusalem's future status and the fate of Palestinian refugees, she in-

voluntarily said. "Uh oh." "I'm an optimist, and I think this is definitely a breakthrough," she said. But she added: "He didn't exactly extend himself on terrorism. I think be's walking a real tightrope, but it's not very comfort-

"No, you have to understand the Arab mentality — the gesture is critical," Mrs. Sofer said in rebuttal. "He was the one who went first to Rabin and shook his hand. O.K. he didn't relate in words to Israel and the pain we suffered. But his body language was very important. It showed he was giving honor to

Rabin." Reaction Mostly Muted The reaction in Israel was mostly

muted as the accord was signed in Washington, news agencies report-In Jerusalem, about 150 people gathered in a central park at a rally

sponsored by the group Peace Now, singing pacifist songs and watching a live broadcast of the signing ceremony.

The military and police force

canceled all leave and deployed reinforcements to prevent possible attacks by hard-line Islamic groups opposed to the peace deal. We know that fundamentalists

want to torpedo the peace process and will continue their attacks," said the minister of police, Mosbe Shahal. "If we have to, we will strike back very hard." For some Israelis, their worst

fears were confirmed as Mr. Arafat appeared in military dress for the signing on the White House lawn.
"Look, he's wearing his uniform what kind of peace is he talking about," said Miri Benjamin, 43.

Today this murderer is a man of

peace? "An agreement between Arafat and ourselves, what does that mean for peace with Hamas and others," Miri Benjamin asked.

TURKISH AIRLINES





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Yves Saint Laurent with his mother, Lucienne.

Lifting the Veil on YSL A Tell-All Biography Raises a Storm

By Suzy Menkes

ARIS - The first major biography of Yves Saint Laurent is generating controversy even before pub lication because of its warts-and-all portrait of the undisputed leader of

his fashion generation.

The book, by Laurence Benaim, a fashion critic with Le Monde and French Vogue, is being given no official send-off or even recognition by the bouse of Saint Laurent for its publication on Wednesday. Yet it was presumed to have the official blessing of Pierre Berge, the designer's partner and Svengali, and many of the close-knit YSL clan, including Catherine Deneuve, Paloma Picasso and the designer's mother, Lucienne, have cooperattranquilizers.

At the center of the storm are the details of personal life given in a country that is not used to hardbitting biography, since France is protected from invasive journalism by strict privacy laws. "I know I have brought out an

American-style biography," says Benaim, 31, author of "Yves Saint Laurent" (Editions Grasset). "1 tried to find the juste milieu and I wanted to show how he fitted entirely in his era." Of her access to the couturier, she says that she "saw him several times, but not a lot" and that most of her work was a "reconstitution" of events that span her own lifetime.

The biography is serious, intel-lectual and poetic, with many liter-ary references, and is primarily deted to Saint Laurent's work as a fashion artist. None of its revelations are vulgar or sensational, yet the sudden lifting of the seventh veil will shock those for whom the conturier is a French institution.

The story — however delicately told and elegantly written - faces full square the homosexuality that Saint Laurent himself only discussed obliquely for the first time with his own lather in 1985. It explores his relationship with his bustible and high profile partner Berge ("the leading and most famous homosexual couple in the history ol couture"). And it reveals, as the fashion world has long since known, years of self abuse in a evele of "alcohol, cocaine and tranquilizers" by a connented artist.

Here is Saint Laurent in white caftan living out a Thousand and One Nights fantasy in a perfumed garden; then holed up later in the same Marrakech consuming two bottles of whisky a day. He careers drunkenly around Paris in his navy blue Volkswagen; he waits for injections of speed from "Madame Bee," as his design muse and aco-lyte Loulou de la Falaise dubs the dealer. He larks with partner-inexcess Betty Catroux on one of many detoxilication cures, and grapples with recurring demons of

Now that the intelligent and revealing book is in circulation, lnends are asking whether this work should have been published while Saint Laurent is still around. Others claim that the reclusive counurier has not cooperated fully with Benaim and deliberately distanced himself — or was made to do so.

The word is out in Paris that Berge himself is unhappy with what he describes as "Vanity Fair sensationalism" written by a "journalist" as opposed to a "writer" and not on a "high cultural level." "He doesn't like the book at all

and he doesn't want to make any comment," Christophe Girard.

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Bergé's right-hand man, said Mon-day. "We did not commission it, but Laurence worked here two time that the extraordinary talent years in the archives. She has done a lot of research and has worked like a private detective. The problem is that she does not know the house from the inside,"

Saint Laurent himself, opening up his Proust-inspired house in Deauville in the current issue of Gala, a French celebrity magazine,

The book reveals vears of self abuse in a cycle of 'alcohol. cocaine and

says of Benatm: "This journalist knows me well, has written lots of articles on my collections and collaborated in various works about me. She was the person most authorized for this book.

N a fashion world where hagiography and vanity pub-lishing are the norm, Saint Laurent has at least a hiogra- thinks phy and an author worthy of his minant position in 20th-century fashion - even if Benaim loftily dismisses any competition and intimates that the cooling of Saint Laurent's friendship with Karl Lagerfeld was due to a personal spat over a male friend, rather than pro-

fessional rivalry. Thirty-five years of collections (starting with his first collection for Dior in 1958) unfold in a flutter of purple prose and chiflon. Each is admirably anchored in the culture and events of its time, from the duffel-coated crowd in the 1950s at the private view of Bernard Buffet (Berge's first enthusiasm) to the financial takeover of the bouse in

"I took the work collection by collection trying to get at the man though his work," says Benaim, who makes much of the violent, turbulent use of color in 1976 in express a period of torment when Saint Laurent spiraled out of con-trol and Bergé lelt the home they

In the cast of characters appearing as in a Victor Hugo novel, the most vivid are Lucienne Mathieu Saint Laurent (the original lamily name) and the uninhibited, eccen-tric, androgynous, hippie-de-luxe Loulou de la Falaise, who should one day tell the story of the divine madness of the 1960s and 1970s in

her own words. The key to Saint Laurent seems to be his relationship with his mother, whom we first see bringing up the young Yves and his two younger sisters surrounded by a in the end and that is what fascicircle of colonial friends in Oran, unter me. For me there is always a

was recognized in 1954 in a public competition and by Michel de

Brunboff, then editor of Vogue. Sometimes she is unintentionally revealing, as when she says that she does not want to bother her son and will just put through a call to his majordomo of 33 years to ask "bow is Moujik?" (Saint Laurent's

constant canine companion). Just once, in 1992, Lucienne Saint Laurent turned from soothine background supporter to lioness protecting her cub when she denounced Berge's investment in a young fashion protégé — a story that caused a minor scandal at the

The book shows that the relanonship between mother and son is psychologically enmplex, with overtones of Greek tragedy. "Her feather seemed like a dagger," said Saint Laurent as he watched his behatted mother walk away round the corner when they were separated for the first time.

Here is Lucienne Saint Laurent round emerald eyes matched by jewels heaped on her by her millionaire son, responding to Benaim's question about what she "gives her son most pica-SUITE.

"Oh, that I be coquette," she replies, without irony and in all innocence. That she, spry in her 70s. living in an apartment surrounded with chocolates in gold wrappers spilling out of bonbonnières, should play for her son the role of the eternal coquette.

lu spite of its rich detail in more than 400 pages and 100 interviews, including very close friends. Saint Laurent remains an enigma and that leaves a vacuum at the center of the book. The point of an artist's biography should be to explain how the personal was absorbed inm the art and to reveal the working of a creative mind. For that you need in drink deep at the primary source. Benaim quotes her subject mostly from existing clippings and films, with a face-to-face interview published separately at the end of the book and dated March 1993. In that, the couturier discusses briefly but poignantly the anguish of being singled out as different and "martyrized" in his school years, and his relationships with his mother and

AINT LAURENT bas said that for a woman to retain her charms she must also retain her mystery. Beanaim the hiographer would echo that, saying that some of the things she was told seemed too intimate to include.

"I did this project with passion, and it wasn't easy," she says, "I was almost in a state of love. I never got Algeria. She has opened her heart to Benaim and with it the sky blue explain everything. But in the end albums into which she stuck laith-

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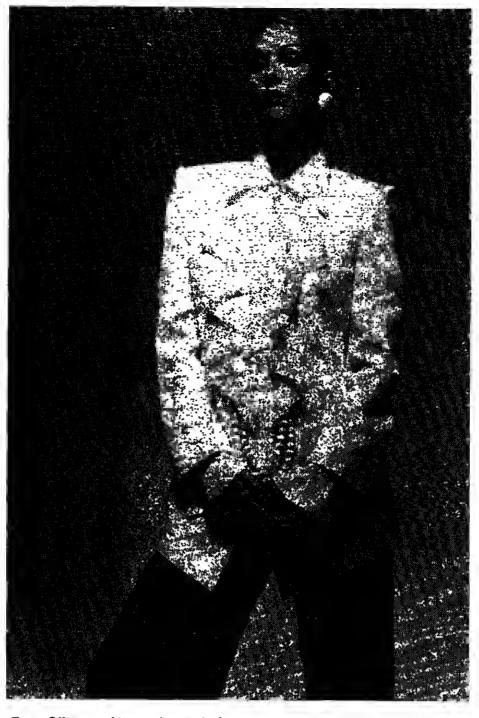
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Long and Short Of Spring Look

Early Shows Translate Trends For the Bewildered Customer

ARIS — Are hears long or short? Colors sweet or sour? What's new? How, when or where could anyone wear that? All the consumer confusion about changing fashion is admirably answered as the first flowering of Spring 1994 breaks bud - in advance of the Octuber ready-to-wear collections The shows are remarkable not for new ideas, but for their ability to absorb what is going on and present it in a comprehensible way in a baffled buyer or shopper.

baffled buyer or shopper.

Chine's show Thursday took a point of view — at least for daytime. It opened with light crepe coats flowing in the lower calf over pants. That line — an elongated sleeveless vest or coat — becomes the new season's jacket, solving all the thorny hemline problems as you choose what to layer it with. Soft pastel colors — pink, green, yellow, apricot and mint green — dispelled any drabness associated with attenuated lines. And the use of fluid crepes, slithery washed silks and graphic black and white knits gave softness without ever looking limp.

Since commercial collections always cover every option, the much-too-long show also included short dresses, split at the hem like

too-long show also included short dresses, split at the hem like vertical blinds, and back-to-the-1970s bared midriff tops. The best of the evening wear just echoed the daytime lines, making the long coats in floaty labrics or layering tunics over wide chiffon pants. It came over as a collection to put women's minds at rest - and get them to take their wallets out.

Sonia Rykiel's Inscriptions is a secondary line — less expensive and with less scalpel-sharp fashion than the main line. Since knits are hot, this is again Rykiel's moment, with layers of white ribbing knit or brief black cropped sweaters, including some in open-work crochet. Separate pieces creating elongated effects included long jackets over narrow pants, some in mixes of spots and stripes, or

dresses layered as tunics over long skirts.

The return of the dress is an important message. The new dress is pulled on like a T-shirt and worn much the same way with other contemporary pieces in the wardrobe. Rykiel's sheer professionalism arried fashion transparency into wearable clothes, as knit and chiffon were banded together for a mix of see-through and opaque skirts and tops at night. Other summer evening looks included those familiar ethnic gypsies.

At a time when sober monochromatic clothes are the young mood.

Léonard is above fashion. Its herbaceous border of pattern and print shoots up perennially, never quite the same. The prints this season focused on Japan (where Léonard is a best-seller) with Kyoto cherry blossom and a flutter of butterflies for neat suits or playful shorts. The scarr print might already have had its big fashiou moment, but Léonard's were well done. Other prints featured topical fruit, orchids and bright abstract flowers. Among this luxuriant garden, a group of slim-line evening dresses in capaccino silk jersey with a touch of delicate pattern added a welcome uote of sophistication for the

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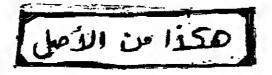
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Lithuania Shows the Way

The Pope has come and the Red Army has gone — two reasons for jubilation to Lithuania. Thanks to the quiet determination of the Lithuanians themselves, and to some timely help from their Nordic neighbors, a half century of Soviet occupation has ended.

Stalin seized Lithuania, along with Estonia and Latvia, in 1940 after his pact with Hitler. Red Army troops had been garrisoned there ever since. Natives were exiled from the Baltics,

and Russians were encouraged to settle there. While Lithuania can celebrate, the Red Army remains in Estonia and Latvia. Those countries can follow the lead of Lithuania, where the Russian troops' departure was made easier by a few wise decisions.

Lithuania did not enact discriminatory

laws against Russian residents, and the newly elected president, Algirdas Brazauskas, who once led the Lithuanian Communist Party to break with Moscow, went out of his way to avoid confrontation over sensitive military sites. He did not bar Russia's access to its bases in Kaliningrad, cut off from Russia by a restored Lithuania. That made it easier for President Boris Yeltsin, besieged by nationalist opponents, to withdraw Russia's troops. The Nordic countries wisely helped with money to resettle Russian officers back home.

By stirring nationalist passions in Russia, Raltic resentment against Russian civilians has slowed the troops' exit. Many Russians who settled in the Baltics decades ago have married natives and learned the local language. Some who retired there after serving in the Red Army or the KGB still seem too much like colonizers for the natives to accept them. But the law should not distinguish between the two. Under international law, Baltic Russians have rights either as citizens or as resident aliens. Their rights need to be secured so that Russian nationalists cannot use this pretext to keep troops in the Baltics in order to protect Russi

Estonia, where 35 percent of the population eaks Russian, enacted a law last year denying Russian-speakers the vote. It put legal barriers in the way of their acquisition of full citizenship. And in June it passed another law harshly discriminatory against resident aliens. These acts violated the Helsinki accords, leading the high commissioner of the Conference on Security and Cooperation to Europe, Max van der Stoel, to admonish Estonia and per-

stande it to begin revising its laws.

Lithuania has set a good example for its
Baltic neighbors: Show the Russian troops the door and make it easier for them to leave. - THE NEW YORK TIMES.

Congressional Oversight

Still Waiting for That Pill

The U.S. Senate, anxious but not hostile, did well to join the process of making policy on Somalia. Many Americans wonder if President Bill Clinton has not gone troublingly far beyond the concrete Bush mission of bumanitarian relief into open-ended nation building. It is widely asked whether the Clinton admin-. istration has thought out the United Nations connection wisely. In a resolution worked out with the administration, fully 90 senators called on the executive to consult on the Somalia deployment, to report on its "goals and objectives" and to obtain congressional authorization by Nov. 15 - that is plenty of time - in order to go on. It sets the precedent that in UN peacekeeping as in Cold War interventions, the president must consult Congress when putting troops at risk.

It is not only the relatively few casualties to American and other peacekeepers that kindle-public concern. UN forces have been drawn into messy urban operations in which civilians inevitably become targeted. The American retired admiral appointed to run the UN program contributes to the impression of uncertain purpose by appearing personally and publicly bent on undoing one particular war-lord. Add the failings you would expect from a first-time effort to mesh American and UN command and control, and a tendency to

RU-486, the French-manufactured "abor-

tion pill" which should be available in Ameri-

ca in about two years, has been used safely by thousands of Europeans. Furthermore, the

fact that it can be administered in a physi-

blockades and bullets permits the procedure to be what it should be: a very private decision

It is also a pill that may have far wider

application - provided that its manufacturer, Roussel Uclaf, is willing to brave America's

anti-abortion activists. A recent study by a

National Academy of Sciences panel found

great potential in anti-progestins, a class of

drug used in RU-486. There appear to he a

lot more uses for these drugs than simply as

abortive agents," the panel's chairman. Dr.

Such as: a treatment for endometriosis, a

runaway growth of the tissue lining the uterus,

which affects 10 to 12 million American wom-

en; for breast cancer, which is diagnosed in

175,000 every year, and for fibroid tumors, the

most frequent reason for surgery in premeno-

pausal women. If, that is, the potential uses

are researched as aggressively as they deserve.

For years Roussel Uclaf and its German

parent company, Heechsi AG, refused to test

RU-486 in the United States fc. fear of Amer-

between a woman and her doctor.

Leslie Z. Benet, said last week.

rhetorical looseness by some administration spokesmen, and you have a situation that

could use a steadying congressional hand. In fact, the whole Somalia intervention is unsustainable unless its goals are made clearer and more modest and its costs and risks are better assessed. We do not assume that this cannot be done. The trouble on the ground in Somalia appears to focus on one warlord in southern Mogadishu, In the rest of the city and in the rest of the country, rehabilitation more or less proceeds. If a vering local security situation can be handled more skillfully, it becomes reasonable to allow the United States and the United Nations to create the circumstances under which their humanitarian mission can remain a success.

The Clinton team tends to depict Somalia as an experiment or model in global or "multilateral" foreign policy-making. That puts too great a burden on a country that would fare poorly under any calculation of triage - first save the most savable. It is smarter to approach Somalia as a particular place in which to do the best that can be done with limited resources. In the new international disorder where the working definition of national interest is still under review, each case has to be taken on its own terms.

ican boycott of their other pharmaceuticals, That the most prominent supporters of anti-abortion activists were two successive presi-

dents only strengthened the companies' timid-

ity. But with a pro-choice president to the contract with a research group that will at-

an abortifacient and find an American manu-

potential for treating certain medical disor-

ders will remain unexplored as long as its

manufacturers remain reluctant to make the

pill available to American researchers for clin-

ical lesting. Once again the reason is fear of backlash — the kind reflected in a comment:

from Richard D. Glasow, education director of

the National Right to Life Committee, who

said the new study "merely recycles exaggerated claims for the nonabortion uses of RU-486."

He also called the research on RU-486

"fragmentary and inconclusive." It is, and will

remain so unless Roussel overcomes its fears,

unless an American pharmaceutical company

then steps forward to conduct trials, and un-

less Americans realize that, when it comes to

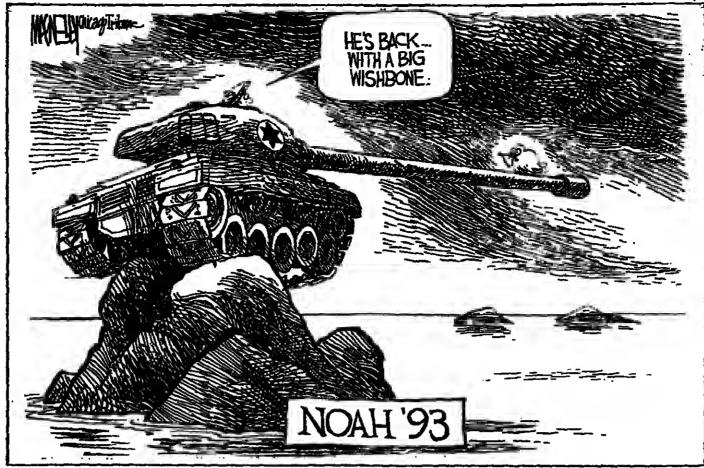
RU-486, the anti-abortion activists' "pro-life"

- THE NEW YORK TIMES.

But so far it will do no more. RU-486's

facturer and distributor.

- THE WASHINGTON POST.



If the People Believe in Taking This Risk of Peace

WASHINGTON — What does.
President Bill Clinton think of the muttering on the right in Israel that when Likud comes back into power, this Monday's agreement with the PLO would be abrogated?

"It concerns me, although our in-formation is that [Benjamin] Netan-yahu has been quite careful about his comments. Israel is a democracy, and historically democracies have hon-ored the commitments that their governments have made with others along their borders, even with a transitiongovernment," Mr. Clinton said in an interview on the eve of the signing of the first pact between Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organization.

"But I think to ensure that, what we have to do is make this agreement as popular as possible in Israel," he added, "and I mean popular in the deep sense. I don't mean some fleeting poll numbers. The people of Israel need to feel this agreement enhances rather than undermines their security."

He was not troubled by Prime Min-ister Yitzhak Rabin's unwillingness to put his name on the treaty, "I think the fact that he's coming is a major step. I don't want to put myself in his mind," he said, and then did; "First he wants to give the foreign minister [Shirmon

By William Safire

Peres] credit for the work he did And secondly this is psychological. This has got to be still a difficult thing in Israel. So I'm not troubled."

I am. Perhaps Mr. Rabin personally thinks Mr. Peres deserves the honor; or be does not want to upset Israelis politically by going all the way; or he does not want to put Yasser Arafat diplomatically on the same level as a head of government. Whatever the reasons, this is Mr. Rabin's historic deal and his name belongs on it. He cannot take everyone else overboard unless be jumps himself.

The gamble on the new Arafat will succeed if Israeli public opinion believes it is succeeding, which depends on (1) future PLO discipline, (2) new treaties with Israel's neighbors and (3) strong new American military, eco-nomic and diplomatic support. Mr. Clinton is asserting the third.

Question: When the world clamors for the United States to pressure Israel to make concessions, will be — as George Bush did - use economic aid as a lever on Israel?

Answer: "I do not believe we can get from here to where we want to refusal to criticize Mr. Rabin after the have to go to wrap this whole thing up Hamas expulsion and the Lebanon

by trying to weaken the position of the Israeii government. The answer to that is yes, I'm not going to do that." How about asking King Fahd of

Saudi Arabia to stop the boycott of Israel, asking the Pope to expedite Vatican recognition of Israel, extend-ing the present "strategic cooperation" to a defense alliance, removing restrictions on the sale of supercomputers to Israel to give them a technological edge, pressing ahead with missile defense aid?

"When I have a strategy for what ppens next in countries outside, I'll be glad to announce it; I m cot trying to be fuzzy ... When I talked with Prime Minister Rabio ... we agreed we would have to get through Monday first, and then we would talk about that, so I would be interested in knowing from the Israelis what they believe we ought to do next
... I'm going to develop a whole
strategy and I just haven't had time to
do it yet, and I can't do it in the

course of this interview." Although a bit behind the power curve, Mr. Clinton believes that his refusal to criticize Mr. Rabin after the raid "helped set the conditions to which this agreement could occur." I think the replacement of George Bush with a president disinclined to pressure Israel helped push Mr. Arafat into direct negotiations.

In inducing American support for risk-taking, Mr. Rabin has clearly not been saying we'll-do-this-if-you-do-that; his more trusting approach makes good sense. It first forging his desire if personally unsigned expressions. daring (if personally unsigned) agree-ment with his lifelong for now, the Israeli leader challenges the rest of the world to pitch in tomorrow.

President Clinton's message to Americans who identify with those Israeli settlers who feel abandoned and endangered?

"This agreement, if we do it right ... will make the people of Israel safer and more seeme, and it's worth taking some risks for peace ... I'm going to do everything I can to minimize those risks. That's what I believe the obligation of the United States is ... We've only said if you believe it's worth it, to take risks for peace, we're going to be there for you. That's what I would say to them, oot only to the Israelis, but to their supporters and allies."

Cambodia 4 **Belongs** In ASEAN

By Kavi Chongkittavorn

PHNOM PENH — After more than two decades of civil war. Cambodia will soon have a government that embraces bberal democratic values and a free market system. To strengthen the country's often tense ties to its neighbors, the govern-ment should join the Association of South East Asian Nations.

Cambodia's leaders, especially Prince Norodom Sihanouk, have indicated that ASEAN membership is not being considered for oow. They say it might compromise the nation's neutrality. (The group's members, generally pro-American, are Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore, Thailand and Brunei.)

The prince believes that Cambodia should not "align" with any country or group, but should postpone any decision until two of its neighbors. Vietnam and Laos, join ASEAN.

The prince's perception of the world seems still to be shaped by his experience as ruler in the three decades to 1970, when he was deposed by his prime minister as Cambodia was being driven by the pressure of outside powers into the cauldron of the Vietnam War.

The prince's views matter, of course. As head of government or head of state to the new Cambodia he would wield considerable influence

over foreign policy.
But times have changed, and such thinking may leave Cambodia out of step with the rest of the region.
The settlement of the Cambodian

conflict has removed the political wall between two opposing blocs in the region, Indochina and ASEAN. Thailand is expected to join the Nonaligned Movement this month; all other ASEAN countries are members. Vietnam and Laos, both members of that movement, signed the ASEAN Treaty of Amity and Coop-

eration last year and say they want to join ASEAN as soon as possible. Cambodia would hasten its economic integration into the region and the world by joining ASEAN. Mem-bership would reassure international aid donors that Southeast Asia is entering an era of peace, stability and economic cooperation. ASEAN countries have resources and experience that could benefit Cambodia as it seeks to recover from the terrible years of fighting and destruction.

The new Cambodia should be the first of the Indochina countries to join ASEAN, not the last

The writer is Southeast Asian editor for the Bangkok newspaper The Na-tion, He contributed this comment to the International Herald Tribune.

A Case for Vietnam, Too

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Compromisers Can Have What Absolutists Cannot F OR YEARS the glue that kept ASEAN together was its asset

N EW YORK - In Tel Aviv years ago, I visited Shabtai Teveth, the Israeli historian and bithe Israeli-Palestinian conflict. I said I thought the two sides had mutual interests that should tempt to win federal approval for RU-486 as, make peace possible. "How long have the British and the Irish been fighting?" Mr. Teveth asked. "About 700 years," I said. "And you think this is going to end to our lifetime?

It did often seem a conflict beyond solution.

A century from oow, one thought, a U.S. secretary

Peace has great momentum when it becomes a reality for the grasping.

of state would still be talking about a mythical Middle East peace process.

And so the beginning of peace, the mutual recognition by Israel and the Palestine Liberation rganization, was stunning when it came last week. Amos Oz, the Israeli writer, told the BBC: "Only one moment to history equals this for me - the

creation of the Jewish state by the UN resolution in November 1947." Then be added a crucial in-sight: "and that also was achieved by compromise." Reasons for the dramatic turn of events were not hard to find: the PLO's loss of the Soviet Union and the Gulf states as backers. Israel's sheer weariness after 45 years of living under threat and attack, the fundamentalist menace to both. But the deeper reason was that both sides' leaders were ready to live in the imperfect world of compromise.

By Anthony Lewis

There would be no Israel if earlier Zionist leaders had not been willing to take half a loaf, as Amos Oz indicated. The UN plan for partition of Palestine was resisted by the absolutists of the Herut Party (now the dominant element in the rightist Likud). David Ben-Gurion accepted the plan, and Israel was born.

The Palestinians said "no" then, as they had

repeatedly rejected compromise before and have since. By holding out for all of what they considered their land, they found themselves being offered less and less of it.

Absolutists on both sides have been true to

form to their reaction to the historic breakthrough. Radical Palestinian factions threaten to murder Yasser Arafat. Jewish settlers held an angry protest in Jerusalem.

The Likud leader, Benjamin Netanyahu, mischaracterized the Camp David agreement in at-tacking the new autonomy plan. In a New York Times opinion piece (IHTT, Sept. 6) he said that it left israel to control "the West Bank while the Arabs conduct their own affairs in such matters as bealth, education and commerce in their towns and villages." In fact, Camp David provided for the end of Israel's occupation regime, withdrawal of its troops to specified locations and election of an area-wide Palestinian administrative council. Mr. Netanyahu and the settlers really reject the idea of peace. They want Israel to go on ruling 1.5 million Palestinians in the West Bank and Gaza by Jorce, forever. On those terms there can be no peace.
The risks are great. Opponents on both sides are arrest and approx. But I do not think the ultres will win the political argument. Peace has too great a momentum when it becomes a reality for the grasping. Israelis are tired of sending their sons to the West Bank to keep down another people. Most Palestinians, too, want a chance to live a normal life.

One important effect of what has happened is that much Palestinian energy will be devoted, now, not to protest and resistance but to the building of a society and its institutions. Committees are already at work making plans for police, roads, schools and the like.

In a crucial passage of his letter to Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin, Yasser Arafat said the PLO "will assume responsibility over all PLO elements and their personnel in order to assure their compliance, prevent violations and discipline violators." If this agreement holds, Mr. Arafat and his coffcagues will be preoccupied with their own problems.

Another consequence of the agreement may be it almost seems safe to say will be - transformation of wider Middle East relationships. The Palestinian conflict has distorted politics in much of the region, and isolated Israel. A great Palestinian scholar, Walid Khalidi, was right when he told Israelis years ago: "We are your passport to the hinterland."
Giving up part of a national dream is hard. The bitterness of some Israelis and some Palestinians is understandable. Compromise is uncomfortable.

But in a crowded world, some accommodation to others' dreams is the only way to peace, to life.

The New York Times.

Vietnamese troops had left. ASEAN tends to move cautiously. The grouping is likely to take great care over the question of expanding its

membership to include Vietnam, not to mention Cambodia, Laos and Bur-ma perhaps later. ASEAN's foreign ministers suggest that Victnam might he admitted in five years. ASEAN would do well to speed things along. The pace of internation-

al change has accelerated dramatically. ASEAN's stature has grown by leaps and bounds. The ASEAN Regional Forum was created in July to-discuss security. ASEAN is rapidly becoming the oucleus of Asian unity. Geographically and strategically, Vietnam and the other nations of the

Mekong Valley are a gaping hole in ASEAN's flank. The implications are the more stark as Hanoi controls the region's strongest armed forces.
For now, Vietnam is in the position

of supplicant. Its economy is still far. behind those of its capitalist neigh-bors. But that situation will not remain frozen. Relations with America are thawing Japanese investors are increasingly interested in Vietnam. Left on its own, Hanoi might be inclined to form a rival trade group

with Mekong neighbors. There might even be an alliance of post-Communist, socialist-market countries.

ASEAN membership would confer instant respectability upon Vietnam. But Hanoi would have to work hard toward making its economic and political systems more compatible with those of its neighbors. At the same time, it would not be in the region's interest for ASEAN simply to let Ha-noi drift. If Vietnam shows genuine interest in adopting the grouping's broader principles, it should be made a member — and soon.

- Asiaweek (Hong Kong).

NAFTA: The Whip's Bolt Should Cost Him His Job

agenda is cruelly anti-women.

Many foreign observers believe that Prince Norodom Sihanouk alone has the charisms and credibility to hold Cambodia together while something approaching democratic le-gitimacs is established. Foreign observers don't, get to vote. The Constituent Assembly is meeting to decide the monarchy question before Sihanouk arrives Wednesday, the day the as-

sembly formally assumes power from the UN.

The United Nations has been sending its 22,000 troops home and proclaiming victory for its peacekeeping operation. This is the right thing to do, but a tad premature. There certainly is a role as national symbol for Sihanouk. Things would be better if the Constitpent Assembly got to decide freely what that role

is. Too many have died in Cambodia for more anarchic power struggle to he acceptable. - The Baltimore Sun

Sihanouk and Cambodia Peace A Ribbon Instead of Effort

The red ribbon [worn to show solidarity with AIDS sufferers] is the perfect logo for the American social cancer of the 1990s, political correctness. It is the perfect sight-bite, not in its intellectual tyranny or annoying smugness, but in its distillation of life's complexity and

inevitable pain into an illusion of caring. It circumvents life's requirement of real effort. The swell of political correctness in [Americal is directly proportionate to the increase in cowardice. Political correctness is the abdication of responsibility. It allows people to deflect their share of the cosmic work load into conveniently distracting semantics, where they can mouth the platitude, fake the indig-nation and get on with the more pleasurable business of self-gratification.

- Bob Gaccione Jr., commenting in the Los Angeles Times.



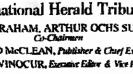
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WASHINGTON — When the House majority whip, David Bonior, announced that he would use his high office to urge his Democratic colleagues to vote against the North American Free Trade Agreement, he drove one more nail into the coffin of majority party leader-ship in the U.S. government. In the 1992 election, the Demo-

cratic Party won the presidency, a 60 percent majority of the House and a 57 percent majority (now 56 percent) of the Senate. Exit polls indicated that one reason the voters gave the Democrats control of all three power centers was to end the gridlock be-tween a Republican president and a

Democratic Congress. In any parliamentary democracy, these margins would have been enough for the party to enact most of the program on which it ran and stand accountable at the next election for the results. But those elected under the banner of America's loosely organized political parties feel little collective obligation to enact the party's legislative program. This is espe-cially true of the Democratic Party, where, as the old prizefight manage Joe Jacobs would have put it. "It's

The three most important legislative issues to the present Congress are the budget deficit, NAFTA and health care reform. All three were endorsed in principle in the 1992 Democratic convention platform. The first to come before Congress was the president's budget plan. Despite major conces-sions made to win over wavering Democrats, it carried by a one-vote margin in each house.

On the budget, it could at least be said that the Democratic leadership to both bouses unanimously supportBy Lloyd N. Cutler

ed the measure and persuaded most of their colleagues to outvote a solid. Republican opposition. But on NAFTA, Mr. Bonior has publicly de-fected, and Speaker Tom Foley has acknowledged that the House leader-ship is deeply divided. It may be that fewer than half of

the House Democrats will vote for NAFTA and that a significant major ity of the Republicans will be needed if this centerpiece of national policy under both President George Bush and President Bill Clinton is to pass. This time, with the odd quad of the AFL-CIO. Ross Perot, Ralph Nader and Patrick Buchanan heading the

opposition, the Republican leaders may also have difficulty bringing

their colleagues along.

Historically, cobesive political parties have been the glue that enabled democratic political systems like America's to make the decisions needed to govern. Today the glue is turning into mercury. And a mercurial legislature that lacks party cohesion and has to form shifting crossparty coalitions to pass or defeat every measure is bound to result in

deadlock, incoherence or both. NAFTA provides a good example. For the modern global economy to flourish, nation-states must be able to negotiate economic agreements - an essential attribute of modern statehood and national survival. If a major agreement negotiated by a Re-publican president and endorsed by his Democratic successor is rejected by Congress, other nations will draw the obvious conclusion. They will de-lay the final concessions needed to reach mutual agreements until Congress has been heard from, If the majority party's leadership is divided and each incumbent member of the majority is free to hold out until his

pet concession is gained, final agree-ments will never be achieved. A government incapable of making agreements with other nations will be expable of governing. Even in parliamentary govern-ments, a majority whip is free to fol-

low his conscience (or his political nose) and vote against a major govern-ment measure. But as a matter of party principle, he is obliged first to resign his position as whip and return to the back benches. At the least, this is what Mr. Bonior should do. For him not only to keep his party office but to use its facilities and staff to persuade his colleagues to vote against a key element of the party's program makes a mockery of the idea of the majority party's responsibility to govern.

Think for a moment of what Mr. Bonior's bolt will cost when the Democratic administration's third major legislative initiative - bealth care reform - comes up for a vote. Like NAFTA, the final health care package is bound to contain some provisions that displease any individual member and omit other provisions that any member dearly wants. How credibly can the majority whip call on his colleagues to vote for a final health care package that is not entirely to his or their liking when he has just finished leading the light against the administration's NAFTA pack-

age for the same reason? If the whip is free to use his office to defeat the other leaders of his party on a major issue like NAFTA, why isn't everyone else free to desert on another major issue like health care?

If so, what was the point of electing a Democratic president and Democrat-ic congressional majorities to begin with? If congressional leaders are un-willing or unable to deploy their ma-jorities to carry out the party pro-gram, we voters may fairly ask whether they are worthy of the trust they sought and received.

The writer, a Washington lawyer, was White House counsel in the Carter administration. He contributed this comment to The Washington Post.

IN OUR PAGES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

1893: Paris Expels 2

PARIS - The Minister of the Interior has issued a decree of expulsion against two foreigners — Herr Szivesy, an Austro-Hungarian, living at 4 rue de l'Ecole de Médecine, and M. Dolmer, a Swiss, living at 3 boulevard St. Michel. The motive for th expulsion is that they have no visible means of subsistence. The decree was notified to them yesterday morning. Eight days' grace has been accorded them.

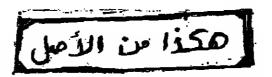
1918: Revolutionary Dies

PARIS — The death is announced from Zurich, says the Figure, of Madame Catherine Breshkovskaia, the Grandmother of the Revolution." She died to Russia — it is not stated exactly where — and according to German statements she will be buried at the expense of the Revolutionary Government, Madame Breshkovskaia was brought back from exile in Siberia after the Russian

revolution, with the prospect of secing the realization of the dream of her life. But within a few months she saw that instead of the Tsarist regime having given way to m enlightened revolutionary Russia, the new order of things was one of disorder and treason.

1943: Nearing Vesuvius ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN

NORTH AFRICA — [From our New York edition:] A front dispatch dated Sunday [Sept. 12] said that American and British forces which landed Thursday west of Salerno had pushed forward over the mountains and were battling German armored units in sight of Mount Vesuvius, less than fifteen miles away. The volcano is fifteen miles north of Amalfi, which the Germans have reported as one of the Allied landing points. The dispatch said that much lighting had taken place in mountainous areas 4,000 feet above sea level.



Put Morality and Humanity Into the Economic Policies

By William Pfaff

TONDON — The underlying issue is ory. History shows high growth occurring nomic policy and tariff reductions. It is a functioning of the marketplace. It is trial power in the 19th and early 20th equally a moral decision when a government intervenes in the market to protect. of imperial preference. Protectioni wages or create jobs.

The moral aspect of economic policy choice is gaining increased attention. It Depression of the 1930s. was a subject of discussion in the economic section of the recent annual conference of the British Association for the Advancement of Science.

The moral position of the market economist may be described as attributing positive moral value to amorality. It holds that the introduction of moral considerations into the marketplace distorts the market's workings and therefore does harm. The critic of the market economist

would say that economic policy is a

What harm may we inflict in the short term

to do hypothetical good in the long term?

means to ends that must be defined in terms of social and political values.
The critic might also say that if in today's circumstances national competitiveness is to be sought through owering wages and increasing unemployment, with accompanying human suffering, this is a moral choice as well as an economic one.

The difficulties posed for society can-not be resolved by the simple assertion that increased competitiveness all round and lowered tariffs everywhere will produce greater human happiness in the longer term. This cannot be proved. It is an argument based on a theory.

The current public policy debate takes place between a new orthodoxy that demands restrictive economic policies to reduce inflation, plus free trade to produce competitiveness, at the immediate cost of failing employment and production, and advocates of a Keynesian policy that would promote growth, demand and production.

The orthodox say that theirs is a nec-essary economic therapy that will pro-duce jobs and prosperity tomorrow. The Keynesians say that growth can be created without the inflation that accompanied growth in the 1970s and 80s (although not in the '50s and '60s). Both sides can cite evidence for their views, but neither can prove its case.

The orthodox say that in international trade, lifting barriers and increasing comperition between low-wage and high-wage economies will benefit both by causing both to grow. This again is the-

moral in today's debate over eco- both in protected and in open economies. The United States was a high-tariffmoral decision to treat wage levels and country until after World War II. Britemployment as neutral factors in the ain became the dominant world induson the other hand, is generally held to have worsened, if not caused, the Great

> The director of information at GATT, David Woods, said recently, in answer to an earlier column of mine: "If companies need to cut their wages to meet the competition, it may be that they are uncompetitive. It may also mean that they are in the wrong business."

> Are IBM, GM, Boeing, Volkswagen, Mercedes-Benz and virtually all of America's airlines in the wrong business? They all recently have had to make huge cuts in labor force. The Japanese Labor Ministry has just announced that Japanese industry needs to cut as many as 1.7 million jobs. Are the Japanese in the wrong husinesses?

All may be uncompetitive, but uncom-petitive by comparison with whom, and according to what standard? Overall Japanese wage levels certainly are uncompet-itive with those of mainland China or Malaysia or Indonesia, West European social security costs make European wages uncompetitive with those of Japan. Wages in U.S. and Canadian industry are uncompetitive with those in Mexico.

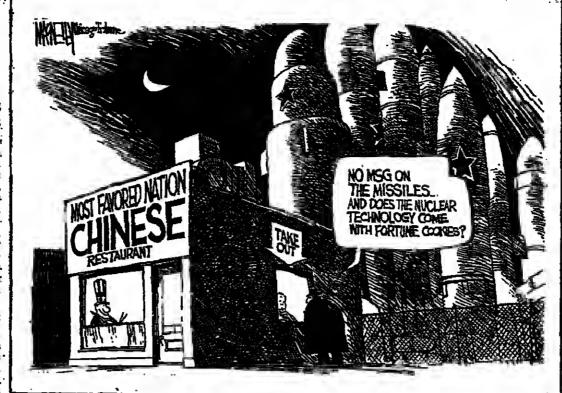
The moral issue involved in these economic choices is that of ends versus means, one of the most difficult and dangerous of moral problems. What harm are we permitted to inflict in the short term to do good in the long term, when the harm is concrete and immediate, and the causal relationship between the short-term harm and the long-term

good merely a plausible hypothesis?

The trouble with hypotheses is obvious. Leninism justified dictatorship, induced famine with the deaths of millions. committed mass imprisonments, murders and population transfers, all on the basis of a theory that this was necessary to make everyone happy in the future. Millions found this a plausible hypothesis, for a time — including hundreds of thousands of well-meaning Western academics, intellectuals and workers.

I believe that the sound general rule is to do as little concrete and immediate harm as possible. Obviously one makes policy on the basis of a theory about its sequences. But the theory is not a reality. Reality is what exists around us. Reality is that the industrial nations in general are experiencing stagnant or fall-ing living standards and the highest levels of unemployment since the Great Depression. Our obligation would seem to me to be to deal with that, within a time

frame meaningful to those alive today. International Herald Tribune. C Los Angeles Times Syndicate.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Hopes for Mideast Peace: Toward a Wider Vision

Regarding "Mideast: A Triumph of ealism and Self-Interest, Not Idealism" (Opinion, Sept. 8) by Abba Eban:

It was refreshing to read Abba Eban's analysis of the Israeli-Palestinian accord. It is clear that a sea change is occurring in the Middle East when a former Israeli foreign minister concedes the futility of military rule and advocates land for peace.
The Israeli-Palestinian issue, which

has always been at the core of the Arab-Israeli conflict, is now rightly the focus of negotiation and aspiration. The fact that Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organization can engage in public dia-logue is cause for considerable optimism, and their declaration of principles represents an important breakthrough. Naturally, concern has been ex-

pressed in many quarters about aspects of the accord. It is true that vital issues the final status of all the occupied territories, comprehensive regional peace and security, settlements and refugees - have yet to be addressed. Amid newfound hope, we must not lose sight of these issues; but peither should these concerns prejudice a fresh and much-needed stumulus to the search for peace. Jordan welcomes these developments.

having played a vital part in bringing the talks to this stage. Our belief that peace is in the common interest has always been reflected in our actions, not least in fully supporting the Palestinians in their quest for self-determination in their his-

toric homeland, and in providing a formula for their participation in the ongo-ing peace process. It is heartening to hear Abba Eban echo our belief, and it is our hope that this can be matched by a wider vision for the future of the Middle East, both at the negotiating table and

EL HASSAN BIN TALAL Crown Prince of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan.

At a time when the whole world is rejoicing over the mutual recognition of Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organization, it seems strange that Ameri-can pundits such as Charles Kranthammer and George F. Will (IHT, Sept. 9) should be grambling about Israel's "gamble" and speculating about all the disasters that might result from Palestinian autonomy. When peace breaks out, there are always a few who find it difficult to adopt a strength of the strength. cult to adopt an attitude of trust toward the former adversary, But if Prime Min-ister Yitzhak Rabin and Foreign Minis-ter Shimon Peres are satisfied that the risk for Israel is not excessive, and if a majority of Israelis support the idea of peaceful co-existence with their closest neighbors, why should these opinion-makers object? They are right on one point: There is no guarantee that the settlement will evolve in ideal fashion. The conflict festered for too long and fundamentalists were given too much time to profit. But now that accord is at hand. I for one am in full support.

JAMES A. COHEN. Lausanne, Switzerland

Let the Yugoslavs Vote

With negotiations between the parties: volved in the ex-Yugoslavia drama again in an impasse, one wonders whether a totally different approach could offer a glimmer of hope. The United Nations could organize and supervise a referendum to find out what ordinary ex-Yugoslavs really want: continued strile or some restoration of a federal or confederal set-up, which would borrow positive elements of Yugoslavia as it functioned under Tito (language and religious antonomy, for example) while providing for maximum autonomy for the constituent republics. The economi demise of former Yugoslavia contributed to the present drama. Strong financial and economic underpinning of any new confederal set-up should be provided by the international community. The United Nations has impressive experience in organizing and supervising elec-tions and referendents. A Security Council initiative could set things in motion. Crazy as it may seem, a referendum might provide a way out.

> JOHAN KAUFMANN. Former Dutch Ambassador to the United Nations. The Hague

Security Council Criteria

Regarding "India and the UN" (Let-ters, Aug. 26); Martin Salgado is entitled to his opin-ion that India's becoming a member of

and keep it handy for next time.

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the UN Security Council is a "laughable" notion. But I would apply the same word to his arguments.

So India has fought several major wars? Britain, France, the United States and Bussia are no stranger to wars. and Russia are no strangers to war — ask the Afghans, Iraqis or Vietnamese. More Indian-Pakistani wars in the future? For nearly half a century a U.S.-Soviet war was just a panic button away, with far more serious consequences for humanity. India might "cripple the council's effectiveness"? The council does not need crippling: Read the news-paper stories on Bosnia, Somalia, Cam-bodia and the Western Sahara.

India, Mr. Salgado says, is "relentless-interfering" in Nepal and Sri Lanka. Perhaps he means a country has to re-lentlessly interfere on a global scale to be a true Security Council member. Mr. Salgado suggests Indonesia as his choice for the Security Council. Has he ever heard of East Timor?

JAIDEEP E. MENON.

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Regarding "Blondie" (Comics, Aug. 25): Dagwood's musical chef should stick to short-order cooking. He states that the first number he'll play on his tuba is "Anchors Away." The correct title is "Anchors Aweigh," and refers to a ship weighing anchor on leaving port.

MATTHEW E. MORAN. New York.

That Serves No One Well

By Robert Elegant

A European Image of Asia

LEGE Belgium — In a recent demon-stration in this industrial city, a labor leader declared that Britain was

Yet to the Belgian labor leader and labor leader declared that Britain was "taking unfair advantage by refusing to enforce the same minimum wages and working conditions agreed on by the rest of the European Community." She add-ed, "Britain is stealing jobs from us and oming the Taiwan of Europe."

This impassioned protest is symptomatic of a condescending, racist attitude

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toward East Asia that is common among Europeans. It is a compound of ignorance, prejudice, fear and envy.

For Taiwan is one of the great success stories of our time. By hard work, entreprencurial daring and keen assessment of markets, a state that a few decades ago appeared doomed to poverty has become the world's biggest holder of foreign exchange. It has moved from an anthoritarian system toward representative government, while slowly repairing

many other Europeans, Taiwan means only one thing: a country that profits unlairly by exporting goods made by

underpaid labor. That is dead wrong. Europeans too

often fail to acknowledge the vast improvement in wages and working condi-tions in Taiwan. They carp, uninformed, at imaginary bugbears but do not praise the transformation of a former Japanese colony into a strong industrialized nation. Such denigration applies not only to

Taiwan but to all the resurgent nations of East Asia, even Japan. From Iceland to the Aegean and the Urals, the common European attitude toward Asians is firmly grounded in ignorance, racism and fear of the unknown — as well as the sala-ciousness that has made European men major clients of the sex industry in Thailand, the Philippines and now Vietnam. That sorry mixture is no basis for mu-tually advantageous relations. Almost equally damaging to Europe's interests is indifference to East Asia, the fastest

growing region in the world.

Many Americans, too, are misinformed or uninformed about Asia. But they see the region as a neighbor on the Pacific Rim — sometimes pesky, but still a neighbor. Some Europeans feel residual concern for former colonies: the British

for India, the Dutch for Indonesia, the French for Indochina. But that concern is largely marginal and nostalgic, if seasoned with commercial ambition. Ton many Europeans still look or Asians as strange little yellow and brown people who may be cumning, even competent, but are not to be taken seri-

ously. In their minds, Europe remains the only true civilization, the huh around which all else revolves. Europeans will congratulate themselves on speaking, say, Italian, French and Spanish, which are much alike, But they look puzzled if you admit proficien-cy in Chinese and Japanese, two unrelated languages. It is as if speaking Chinese

or Japanese were on a par with being able to wiggle your ears: remarkable, perhaps commendable, but irrelevant.

In the 19th century, Europeans showed their contempt for the weakness of Asia by colonizing large parts of the continent. In the 20th century, first Japan and later China were seen as mortal threats. Many Europeans still think of Asians either as

exploited coolies or bendish plotters. Despite some good reporting, the in habitants of the most populous continent are poorly understood in Europe. The image of Asia in Europe must be sharply revised to match reality, not myth.

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BOOKS

SUMMER OF FEAR By T. Jefferson Pari

Reviewed by George P. Pelecanos

I N the middle of an unusually hot California summer, a serial killer who calls himself the Midnight Eye is terrorizing the hill community of Laguna Beach.

Calmly walking into unlocked houses, leaving behind horribly dis-figured human and animal corpses. the killer has thrown a jolt of sweatsoaked nightmare into the Orange County Dream.

On one of those typically swel-tering nights, Russ Monroe sits in his car outside the house of a former lover, Amber Mae, and contemplates going inside. By all accounts, Monroe, an ex-

cop turned crime writer, should not he parked at the house at all. He's married now and deeply in love with his wife, Isabelle, But

Isabelle is suffering from an inoperable hrain tumor, wheelchairbound and rapidly deteriorating. Despair, desire and alcohol have brought Monroe to Amber's house. And so be goes through the door.

Once inside, he finds the unspeakably destroyed body of a woman in Amber's bed, a victim of the Midnight Eye, a fact he sur-mises from a blood-written message on the bedroom wall.

Monroe unwisely leaves the crime scene; upon his return, the body is gone, the evidence virtually lt's a perfect noir setup, and one that the author T. Jefferson Parker

handles with authority, in this, his new novel, "Summer of Fear." ew novel, "Summer of Fear." deterrent to the staging of chess
Monroe eventually finds the events there. The latest chess event

body, stuffed in his own garage freezer. It's clear that he's being framed by someone close to him, though the reasons for that are The suspects include Martin Parrish, an unstable, brooding cop and

Amber's former husband; Eric Wald, a vain, self-promoting, and brilliant criminologist; and Grace, Monroe's troubled, illegitimate daughter by Amber. All of them, including Monroe,

are burdened with obsessional ties to Amber Mae. In the meantime, Monroe has been contacted by the Midnight Eye, and now he's working with the police to stop the kill-ings, which are escalating in numbers and brutality.

He is also struggling to maintain his sanity and sobriety in the face of his wife's terminal illness. In this particular summer, "death seemed everywhere, common as air."

Parker displays his customary gifts for controlled pacing and heremetic plotting that have been improving steadily since his first novel, the acclaimed "Laguna Heat."

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Vukic did not thrust 17...d5, wins.

359 pages. St. Martin's, \$19.95 ed by now to those elements of personal history that typically create this brand of mouster.

As for the writing style, Parker takes a chance, mixing the cold, clinical attitude toward death that is a hard-boiled staple with a hyper-emotional voice that threatens at times to go over the edge. In the end be would have done

better had he controlled the forced drama of one-sentence paragraphs, redundant exclamation points and occasionally florid prose. He doesn't need them here -his

story is powerful enough to move the reader with its own weight. Though the thriller aspects of the novel succeed in every respect, it is in the relationship between Mon-roe and the doomed Isabelle that

Also oddly effective are Mouroe's frequent, internal soliloquies on mortality, often spoken through a manic haze of alcohol-logic. Monroe muses at one point that

the book works best.

"God and mathematics are one." going on to argue that the law of probability — God, in effect — creates one Richard Ramirez (Cali-fornia's "Night Stalker," and the model for the novel's Midnight Eye) for every Buddha or Jesus-Christ.

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> His implication by extension is that cancer and serial killer alike are, simply put, manifestations of the anti-Christ. "Summer of Fear" is T. Jefferson

Parker's fourth novel, and the only

one he has chosen to write in the first person. His protagonist, Monroe, is a journalist and crime novelist who lives in Laguna Canyon. Parker, a former journalist, also makes his

home in the Canyon. Monroe's wife is dying from an inoperable

er of Fear." Parker has done 'nice job of creating an atmospheric thoughts outside the realm of es capist entertainment.

In this challenging novel, he manages to create a feeling on the written page of what novelist and essayist James Sallis has called "the darkness that is everywhere around us all." It's a brave piece of work and one that deserves to be read.

George P. Pelecanos is the author of the novels "A Firing Offense," "Nick's Trip" and the forthcoming

WHAT THEY BE READING

 Flora Lewis, columnist, has been reading "The Creators" by Daniel J. Boorstin. "It has an overwhelming sweep

of cultural history and its many sources. I am reading it slowly in gulps. I have taken recesses with thrillers and a pseudodiary of President Mitterrand written by an anonymous author." (Thomas Quinn Curtiss, 1HT)



CHESS

By Robert Byrne M ORE than two years of light-ing, destruction and suffer-ing in the Balkans have been no

was the Yugoslav Team Champi-onship last June. Longtime opponents like the grand-masters Milan Matulovic, 8, and Milan Vukic, 51, continued their rivalry, as can be seen from the following game.
The Four Knight's Sicilian, fea-

turing 5...Nc6, unconsciously anticipated hypermodernism in enticing the advance with 6 No6 be 7 e5, the plan being to brand the es pawn a weakness.

Lately, Black has left con-strained, after 7. Nd5 8 Ne4, to abandon 8. Qc7 9 f4 Qb6 10 c4 Ne3 11 Qd3 Nf5 12 g4 Nd4 because of Gary Kasparov's 13 Bg2! h5 14 g5 Bb7 15 Be3 Nc2 16 Kf2 Ne3 17 Qe3 Qb2? 18 Kg3 with a powerful

attacking position for White.

After 8... Qa5 9 c3 Be7, Manulovic spoiled Vukic's plan of kingside castling by playing 10 Qg4,
when 10... OO? 11 Bh6 wins rook

On 14 c4, Vultic could not take



Position after 22 ... Rgg8

probably because 18 Ng3 e5 19-Qh5!? creates weak squares and a vulnerable h7 pawn in the hlack position, whereas the c4 pawn is 6 happy sacrifice to open lines to the black king. After 17...55 18 Ng3, however, Vukie should have played 18. Bd6, both to bring this piece to the defense of his king and to stop the strong 19 Bf4. Matulovic's attack soon got going with 21 Rad1, when 21 Qa2? 22 Qc7 Ka8 23 Ral wins outright. After 21 Ka8 22 f3 Rgg8, Manilo-

On 23...Qb7, Matulovic broke through with 24 a51 Nc8 25 Rd71, prohibiting 25...Qd7? in view of 26 Qb8 mate and 25...Qb3 in view of 26 Qc7 with a winning threat of 27 Qc6. There was no choice except. for Vukic to drop two minor pieces for a rook with 25...Bd6 26 Rd6 Nd6 27 Qd6. Vukic gave up several pawns to get his rooks into play, but his game was not to be saved. After 43 NIT, it would have been useless to

Vukic gave up.

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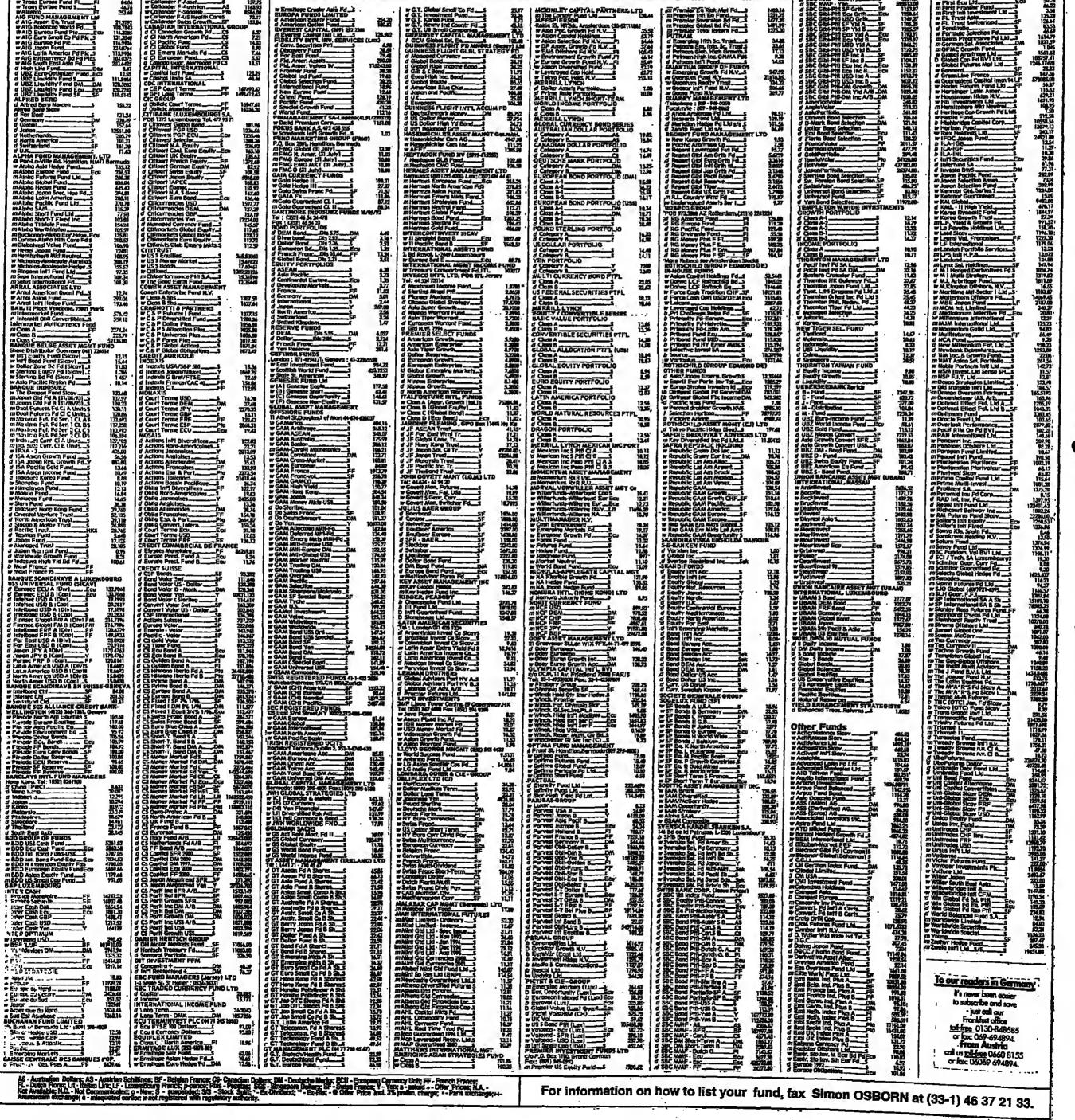
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Du Pont Plans to Lay Off 4,500

WILMINGTON, Delaware — Du Pont Co. said Monday that it

would lay off 4,500 employees, or about 7 percent of the work force in its U.S. chemicals business, as part

of a \$3 billion restructuring. | The company said the layoffs, which are to be completed by the middle of 1994, are designed to streamline Du Pont's U.S. operations in response to an oversupply of chemical products worldwide.

During the past two years, the company has shed 12,000 of its 133,000 workers. Analysts estimated layoffs and operating changes made so far have reached \$1 billion in annual savings, short of the compa-ny's target of \$3 billion in reductions. Du Pont said it was planning a

similar restructuring in Europe, although plans are not completed. The company said it expected the U.S. restructuring to result in an after-tax charge of about \$375 million in the third quarter. Du Pont's stock closed up \$1.75, at \$49.62.

One analyst, Paul Raman of S.G. Warburg & Co., estimated Du Pont would lay off 3,000 in Europe. "Volume growth is going to be very weak, so the only way they can

derive growth is with cost-cutting," Mr. Raman said. Most of the U.S. job cots announced Monday will occur in Du Pont's core nylon business.

In earlier cost-cutting progra the company cut jobs at its Delaware headquarters and shed costs from fringe or weak businesses.

By targeting a business like oylon, a product invented by Du Pont researchers, the company has signaled it has oow turned its attention to reducing costs at its strong businesses, too, Mr. Raman said. OPEC's Headache: The Steep Fall of Oil Prices

For OPEC, Bad to Worse Oil Glut, Price Fall Seen Continuing

By Youssef M. Ibrahim New York Times Service

PARIS - A steady drop in the demand for fuel and energy around the world combined with re-cord high production in the North Sea and by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries, have pushed world oil prices down to the lowest level in three years. Many analysts have predicted that prices could fall to a low not seen since the oil price collapse of 1986.

Since June, oil prices have dropped more than \$3 a berrel, bringing the average price currently to about \$15.82 a barrel on spot markets in London and about \$16.95 a barrel in the United States.

Industry executives and analysts say markets are so flooded with oil that prices might slide to about \$10 a barrel in the next few months, around the low point of the mid-1980s, presenting the industrial economies with a welcomed lift and consumers around the world with a windfall.

Seven years ago, when oil prices were falling, the biggest beneficiaries were the industrialized nations - oearly all of them major oil importers. If the past is any guide, lower oil prices will aid economic growth, which could give a definite lift to the weak economies in Europe and Japan and coax along the fledgling recoveries in the United States and Britain.

Since energy costs are a large component of a range of goods — from food to machinery — low oil prices generally hold down inflationary pressures.

For some fuel-dependent industries, like air-lines, tower oil prices have meant that fuel costs have remained at last year's level, slightly lower than had been expected.

Aviation fuel is a comparative bargain. From a systemwide average of \$1.14 a gallon (3.8 liters) in October 1990, in the months leading up to the Persian Gulf war, it fell steadily soon after.

American Airlines said it paid an average of 77 ents a gallon in 1990, 68 cents a gallon in 1991 and 62.5 cents last year. The price has remained in the low 60s this year.

"That's a penny or two a gallon lower than we expected in 1993," said Tim Smith, a spokesman for American. He attributed the lower-than-ex-pected price to the inability of OPEC to maintain production quotas and downward pressure on oil prices from Iraq's eagerness to export once the United Nations's post-Gulf War embargo of the country is lifted.

But lower oil prices have brought problems to OPEC producers, including Saudi Arabia, the largest in the world, and Kuwait. In terms of the dollar's purchasing power today, OPEC is now collecting less that what it did in 1973 for its oil sales. The current price is also far below the OPEC target of \$21 a barrel.

With oil revenues shrinking steadily, the Saudi and Kuwaiti economies have gone into deficit

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IBM Reshapes, Playing Down **Mainframes**

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches NEW YORK — The IBM chairman, Louis V. Gerstner Jr., announced Monday a reshaping of the company's divisions aimed at making them more efficient and easier for outsiders to understand.

The changes, contained in a letter to employees, also underlined International Business Machines Corp.'s decreased reliance on mainframe computers as a source of sales and profit. IBM's mainframe operation has been renamed and will report to John M. Thompson, the executive who heads the company's \$4.5 billion minicomputer operations.

The mainframe unit, formerly called the Application Business Sys-Large Scale Processing Division.
which includes minicomputers.
The letter, which was released by

IBM, said Mr. Gerstner was creating a corporate executive committee thet will have an overall focus on corporate results, making IBM business units work in a responsive

way to serve customers.

Mr. Gerstner said Vice Chairman
Paul Rizzo, who was recalled earlier this year from Duke University's Fuqua School of Management, will no longer have direct responsibility for the company's divisions, but will work on companywide issues and serve as Mr. Gerstner's deputy.

In addition, Mr. Gerstner said be would do away with an IBM institution called the Managemeot Committee, top executives who would regularly convene to settle disputes between operating groups and sometimes within them. In its place will be a worldwide management council diat will meet only four or five times a year to discuss operating results and company-wide initiatives.

Mr. Gerstner, in office only five months, said the new, 11-member corporate executive committee "is not a layer of operating manage-ment" but will advise him on policy issues "that cut across multiple units" of the company.

Mr. Thompson, who will oversee the company's mainframe and minicomputer operations, was named to the committee, while Nicholas M. Donofrio, chief of the mainframe division, was not. He now reports to Mr. Thompson, instead of to Mi. Gerstner, as he did previously.

So far this year, IBM's mainframe division has been bettered by recession and shift to smaller kinds of computers. But the division has also announced a series of new products that were more based on workstation and minicomputer technology than old mainframe systems.

Texaco Chemical **Unit Sold**

HOUSTON — Kerry Pack-er, Australia's richest man, is joining with the Utah chemicals magnate Jon Huntsman to buy Texaco Inc.'s chemical operations for \$1.06 billion, Mr. Huntsman and the oil company announced Monday. A 50-50 venture, Huntsman Corp., is to acquire Texaco Chemical Co.

The venture will be held by Huntsman Financial Corp., a privately held company based in Salt Lake City like Mr. Huntsman's main business, Huntsmao Chemical Corp.; and by Mr. Packer's Consolidated Press Holdings, privately be a median Sydney.

Texaco will retain chemical operations at its El Dorado, Kansas, oil refinery and at Star Enterprise's oil refinery in Delaware City, Delaware.

Huntsman Chemical, which was created in 1982 and has expanded rapidly through acuisitions, expects revenue of \$1.85 billion in 1993.

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By Reginald Dale

TASHINGTON — It is amazing how paganda. And it is happening again as French diplomacy pulls out all the stops to promote French farm interests as the Usuguay Round of trade lurches towards its de-

For years France has successfuly promoted a Francocentric view of Europe, the rationale of which goes something like this: France is by definition the most European of all countries. Others are more or less European depending ou how much they resemble France and/or conform to French wishes. Thus the more other countries respect French interests, speak French, and buy Mirage fighters and TGV trains, the more European they are.

Of course, many French people actually believe it, but there is no reason why others should continue to be taken in.

By this logic, for example, France has gained widespread currency for the view that Britain, in so many ways the antithesis of France, hardly qualifies as a European country. But while Britons mostly do not mind being told they are not

Europeans, Germans do.

Germany has always been the prime target. Through the postwar period, the French have found it relatively easy to brainwash the Germans into believing that the best way of being accepted as good Europeans is to go along with France. Moreover, the Germans are warned, if they weaken the Franco-German axis (by disagreeing with France), the whole concept of "Europe" is threatened.

In today's reunited Germany, the argument is beginning to wear thin. But Chancellor Helmut. Europeans, Germans do.

beginning to wear thin. But Chancellor Helmut Kohl fell for it once again at the end of last month when he expressed sympathy for France's lone bid to scuper the Blair House agreement between the United States and the EC on exceptions a pital United States and the EC on agriculture, a vital ingredient in a final Uruguay Round package. Although the French position is inimical both to German and to wider European interests, Mr. Kohl felt that the talisman of Franco-German

unity obliged him to ride to France's rescue.

Astonishingly, as if to trumpet to the world that
the old ruse still works, Jacques Delots, the sup-

posedly independent president of the EC Commission, immediately complimented Mr. Kohl for choosing a grand vision of Europe" over Germany's own interests. Mr. Delors, of course, is

But on this occasion the French position not only harms European unity, it also directly chal-lenges the commission's own authority. As one of the agreement's authors, the commission has quite rightly rejected France's attempts to reopen the

What is ironic about this swirt of disinformation and moral blackmail is that it obscures the fact that the French do have a point in their objections to Blair House. The agreement is in practice likely to favor U.S. wheat exporters over their French rivals and the French may well be right in complaining that it goes beyond existing reforms of the EC's Common Agricultural Policy. Other countries farmers, although they are not squealing so loudly, will suffer too.

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Round, European agricultural
policy has to be painfully reformed. It is far too expensive (out of each franc the position on trade.

average French farmer carns, 47 centimes — or nearly half — are subsidies) and it has to be adapted to make way for Eastern Europe's integration into the West European economy — a far bigger challenge than the Uruguay Round.

Mr. Kohl should be brave enough to tell the French once and for all thet French interests are not synonymous with those of Europe. If a good

fairy were to grant Europe one economic wish today, it should be for the Uruguay Round's successful completion as soon as possible. For the Franco-German axis to be beneficial to Europe, Bonn must not join Paris in working against the majority interest. On the contrary, Germany should use its privileged position to insist thet Paris align itself with the wider European interest, not vice versa. In the fight over the Uruguay Round, the European interest requires that Paris shift position and suggested the paris shift position and suggested the paris shift position. that Paris shift position, not everybody else. Strangely, although the French do not seem to realize it, so does France's economic interest, too.

Paramount: Field Clear For Viacom

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches NEW YORK — The chairman of Paramount Communications Inc., Martin S. Davis, said Monday he has not received any buyout offers from other major media concerns, countering speculation his plans to merge with Viacom Inc. would only invite others to bid for

his company. Some observers had suggested that Viacom's \$8.2 billion deal to acquire Paramount would give rise to other bids, possibly from Barry Diller, the head of QVC Network Inc., or from the cable concern Tele-Communications Inc.

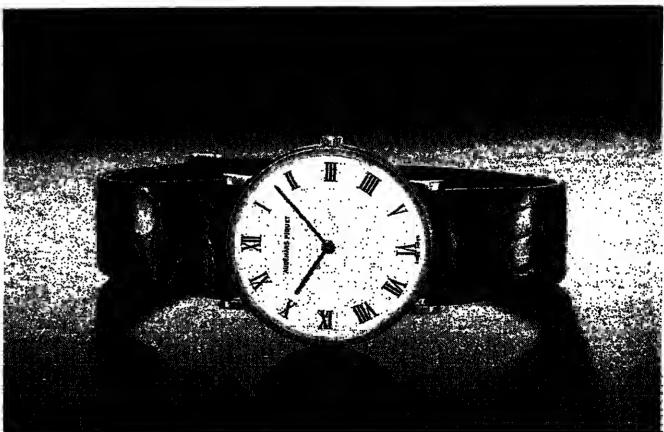
Paramount's stock jumped \$3.50 to \$64.625 on Monday, while Viacom B shares slid \$2.75 to \$56.625. The merged company plans to expand aggressively, the chiefs of the two media companies pledged at a news conference. The possibilities are unlimited," said Mr. Davis, who will become CEO of Paramount Viacom International. "We are both opportunistic and we

will be more so."

A new business widely expected to emerge from the new company will be a fifth TV network. Mr. Davis and the Viacom chief, Sommer M. Redstone, hinted strongly that a new network was high on their list of priorities once the deal is completed.

There are all kinds of opportunities and all kinds of the word I hate — synergies," Mr. Redstone said. (UPI, Renters, Knight-Ridder)

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Bloomberg Business News NEW YORK - Blue-chip stocks rose on Monday, as a decline among drug and health-care shares failed to overshadow lingering optimism about low interest rates.

"The market doesn't seem to want to go down, even though there are many reasons why the market should be down," said David Shul-

N.Y. Stocks

man, market analyst at Salomon Brothers Inc.

The Dow Jones industrial average rose 12.58 points, to 3,634.21. Advancing common stocks led declining issues by a narrow margin on the New York Stock Exchange. Trading was moderate, as about 243.4 million shares changed hands

on the NYSE. The Nasdaq Composite Index of over-the-counter stocks fell 3.98, to 740.32.

Health-care issues stumbled on concern about President Bill Clinton's plan to reform the nation's medical system. A draft of the plan, to be formally introduced on Sept. 22, has circulated in the last week. The plan is intended to guarantee bealth care to all Americans, while reducing national medical spending. Pfizer Inc. fell 1 to 60%, Schering-Plough declined 1 to 60, and

American Home Products Corp. lost % to 61%.

The stock market continues to get help from the decline in interest rates, which are at the lowest level since the mid-1960s. The yield on the benchmark 30-year Treasury bond closed at 5.86 percent, down from Friday's level of 5.87 percent. The decline is tied to the release of favorable inflation news and doubts about the strength of the economic recovery.

But analysts and fund managers are generally becoming less opti-mistic about the stock market's prospects. Stocks are nearing the point where traders would prefer good economic news to just low interest rates, said Don Hays, investment strategist at Wheat First Butcher & Singer. The exonomic recovery clearly is sluggish, and that may translate into lower-thanexpected earnings in future quar-

ters, he said.
"The stock market is soon going to start to overlook interest rates and focus on the economy," said William Raftery, market analyst at Smith Barney Shearson Inc.
When this happens, the stock
market is going to fall.

Mellon Bank Corp. fell 3% to
56%. The bank filed suit in a dis-

pute with American Express and Primerica over its profitable mutu-

Dollar Is a Beneficiary **As Investors Sell Marks**

NEW YORK - The dollar rose Monday in calm trading against most major foreign currencies, swept higher by some profit-taking in the Deutsche mark.

Dealers attributed the dollar's rise to general profit-taking in mark positions built up over the last few weeks, when the German

Foreign Exchange

currency rose strongly against the dollar and its major European counterparts. The French franc and the Italian has also rose against the mark Monday, with the franc gaining 2 percent, to 3.47 to the mark, while the lira rose 1 percent, to 954 to the mark, in European

The dollar's strength was compounded by the expiration of curreacy futures and options on Chicago's International Monetary Market, analysts said.

The U.S. currency closed in New York at 1,6077 DM, up from 1.5970 on Friday. It also gained to 1,4025 Swiss francs from 1,4010 francs, but fell to 5.6013 French francs from 5.6375.

This whole move was started by a snowballing of mark weakness in Europe," said Stuart Frost, currency analyst at NatWest Markets. "Some key trend lines were broken and there was a certain amount of profit-taking on the mark. Most of the action centered around the

French franc and lira." The market may also be thinking the French are a lot more serious about clinging to the mark with higher interest rates than was ini-tially bargained for." Mr. Frost said. The Bank of France left its key intervention rate unchanged at-6.75 percent Monday despite expectations of a cul.

The dollar was also bigher against the Japanese yen, gaining to 106.25 yen from 105.25, and against the British pound, which shumped to \$1.5465 from \$1.5518. Analysts said they did not expect the dollar's rise to last, though, Recent indications that the U.S. econ-

omy remains sluggish, combined with the unlikelihood that the

Bundesbank will again trim interest rates, has pulled the rug out from under any major rally, A string of U.S. economic news due out later in the week is also expected to confirm that inflation pressures remain subdued and that the Pederal Reserve Board is under

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Caterpillar Recoups \$350 Million Taxes

PEORIA, Illinois (AP) — Caterpillar Inc. said Monday that the Internal Revenue Service had agreed to pay it a \$350 nullion tax refund related to its export sales from 1979 through 1987.

The refund is the country of computer software threshold by Caterpillan. The refund is the result of computer software developed by Caterpillar

that can perform calculations not previously possible for figuring the tax incentives permitted on individual export transactions, a spokesman said. Caterpillar said it would use the proceeds for early retirement of certain, relatively high-cost long-term debt. This debt retirement will result in a pretax charge of up to \$50 million this year.

Mellon Sues Over Boston Co. Purchase

PITTSBURGH (Reuters) - Mellon Bank Corp. said Monday that it had filed suit in federal court here alleging that Primerica Inc. and American Express Co. had damaged the value of Boston Co. after Melion paid \$1.45 billion for it.

Melion said it is seeking punitive damages from Primerica, its unit Smith Barney Harris Hoham & Co. American Express and its unit

Smith Barney Harris Upham & Co., American Express and its unit

Lehman Brothers Inc. for alleged breach of contract.

Mellon said the contract by which it bought Boston Co. from Shearson

Mellon said the contract by which it bought Boston Co. from Shearson Lehman Brothers, now Lehman Brothers, in September 1992 stipulated that neither Shearson nor affiliates would provide administrative services to any mutual fund for which Shearson or its units served as adviser, underwriter or placement agent. But the suit alleges that Smith Barney. which acquired Shearson's asset-management and brokerage assets in .

March 1993, had created new mutual funds that are virtual clones of

Melion alleges that American Express interfered with the Boston Co. sale contract by selling Shearson assets to Primerica. Shearson funds serviced by Boston Co.

Asbestos Insurance Lets Grace Down

BOCA RATON, Florida (Reuters) - W.R. Grace & Co. said Monday that it would take a third-quarter charge of \$300 million after taxes due to a reduction in its insurance coverage for asbestos property-damage claims.

The company said that last week a federal appeals court adopted an insurance coverage trigger date for asbestos property damage based on the installation of asbestos-containing materials rather than when the materials are discovered.

For the Record

AmSouth Bancorp. of Birmingham, Alabama, is buying Fortune Ban-corp Inc., based in Clearwater, Florida, for about \$285 million in cash

KeyCora, a bank holding company based in Albany, New York, is to buy Commercial Bancorp, of Colorado for \$84 million in stock. (AP) Sonoto Products Co., a packaging supplier based in Hartsville, South Carolina, agreed to pay \$300 million to acquire Engraph Inc., a smaller packaging supplier based in Atlanta.

Ford Motor Co.'s chairman, Harold Poling, said he was optimistic that a new labor agreement with the United Auto Workers could be reached by Tuesday night's deadline.

(Bloomberg)

Weekend Box Office LOS ANGELES - "The Fugitive" topped the U.S. box office for the sixth weekend in a row, earning an estimated \$8.7 million. Following are the Top 10 moneymakers based on Friday ticket sales and estimated sales for Saturday and Sunday.

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Gold Plummets Below \$350

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NASDAQ Diary

NEW YORK - Gold prices fell sharply Monday in follow-through selling of the metal after Friday's report of restrained inflation in the United States, dealers said.

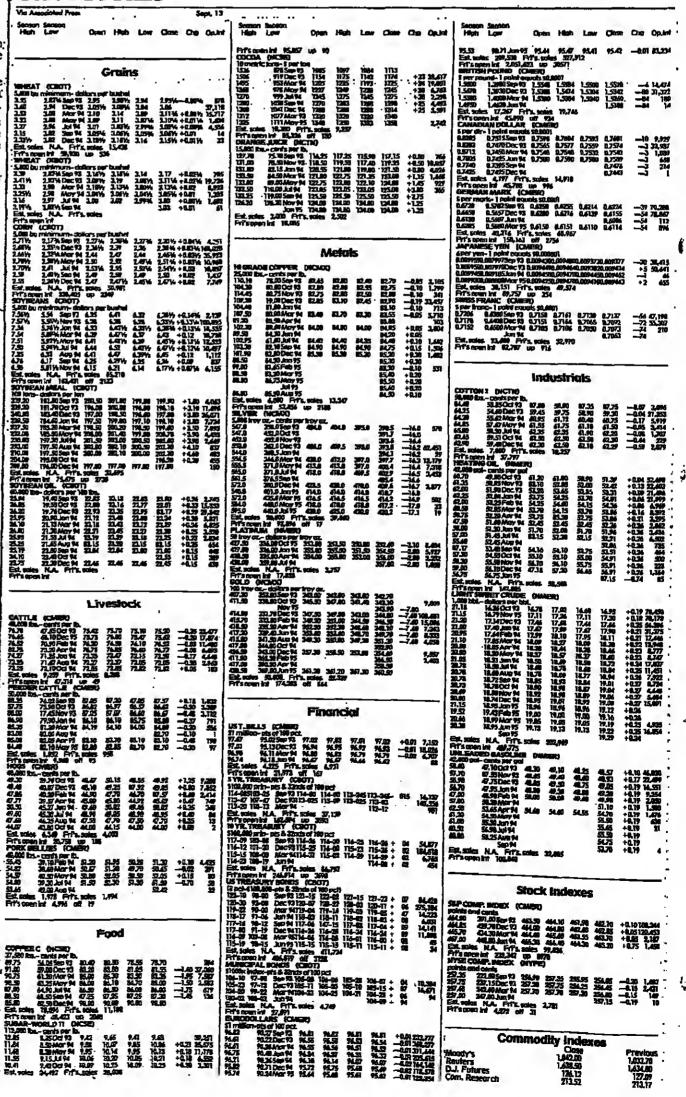
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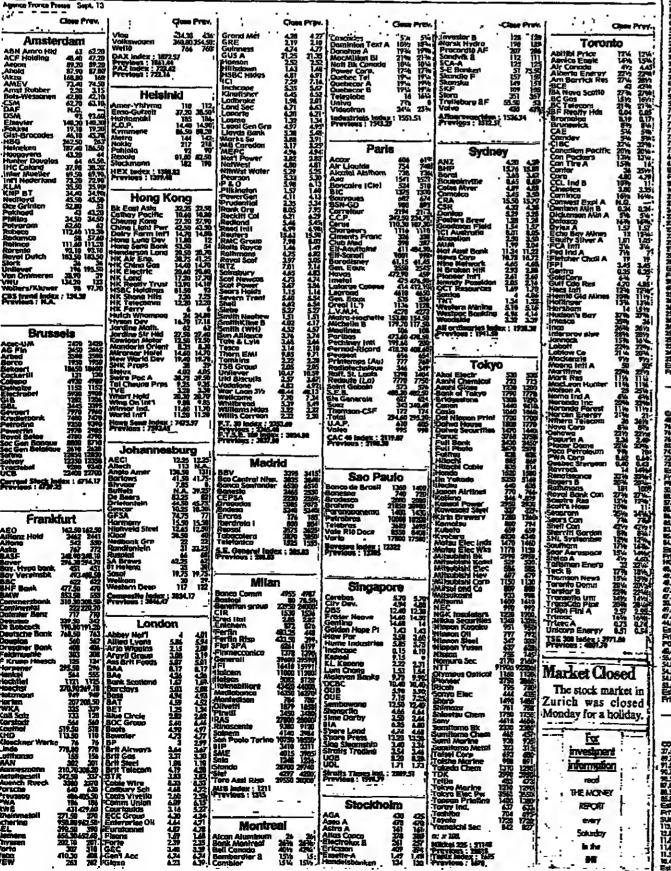
Ian MacDonald, head of marketing at Credit Suisse, said that Friday's producer price data, showing a fall of 0.6 percent in August, was a severe shock to the market. The result, he said, was that "many funds are little pressure to boost its 3 percent actively reversing their positions from long to short gold."

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The Independent's 15p Problem Can It Revamp and Fight Price Cut by The Times?

By Suzanne Cassidy

New York Times Service LONDON - Rupert Murdoch's decision to slash the price of his venerable, but unprofitable flagship British newspaper, The Times. could not have come at a worse time for the paper's closest rival, The Independent

The price cut, which took effect last Monday, has been seen by media analysts, jour-naissts and The Independent itself as a direct

assault on the seven-year-old daily.

Peter Stothard, editor of The Times, said sales of his newspaper had risen an estimated 20 percent since its price was cut from 45 pence (about 69 cents) to 30 pence. On Saturday, its rivals said the reduced-priced Times had fared even better for the week; they estimated the

sales gain at 30 percent to 40 percent. Late last week. The Independent urged the Office of Fair Trading to investigate the price cut, saying it constituted "an anti-competitive course of conduct." Andreas Whittam Smith, editor of The Independent, said that "our best estimates suggest that The Times would need to increase its circulation by over 60 percent to break even at n price of 30 pence.

Mr. Whittam Smith has also announced The Independent will refuse advertising from any holdings of News International PLC, parent of The Times, as long as Mr. Mardoch "persists

in his attempt to destroy us by unfair means." Before The Times price cut, The Independent, which still sells for 45 pence, was under pressure. Now, said Tony Loynes, publisher of

The U.K. Press Gazette, an industry weekly, "I think everybody, including those who work on it, fears that The Independent might go."

Britain's recession, which is beginning to ifft, has left no newspaper unscathed. But for The Independent, the latest six-month circulation figures were particularly worrisome.

According to the Audit Bureau of Circulation. The Independent's average circulation for the first six months of the year was down nearly 8 percent, to 346,734, compared with the same period in 1992; The Times was down 6.3 percent, to 365,876. Both remained far behind the Daily Telegraph, at 1.02 million, and just behind The Guardian, at 415,960. At its peak in October 1989, The Indepentions and introducing color photographs, The Independent has had little money to invest. Newspaper Publishing PLC, The Independent's parent company, is planning to give the newspaper a new look this fall, and, for the longer term, is proposing a financial restruc-

turing to raise capital. But it is a tricky proposition: independence, financial as well as editorial, has been a tenet of the newspaper. The Independent since its founding in 1986, has not supported a political party. It

was backed not by a press baron or conglom-erate, but a broad group of investors. It soon found a niche in what had been thought to be a mature market. In the year ended September 1989, Newspaper Publishing made a profit of just over \$5 million.

Then, in 1990, as the recession was begin-ning, it started The Independent on Sunday, which created a financial drain.

The company has not made a significant profit since. But its recent break-even performance "is not a bad record" in light of the recession, said a spokesman, Charles Cook

Lloyd's Opening **To Firms Draws** Protest by 'Names'

LONDON - Lloyd's of Lon- contained in a 106-page document don, breaking with 305 years of released Monday, were adopted tradition, unveiled a plan Monday last week by the Lloyd's Council, tradition, unveiled a plan Monday to allow corporations to invest in it for the first time.

But many of the wealthy individ-uals who have been shouldering the billions of dollars of losses at Lloyd's in recent years are threatthem from personal financial ruin.

"If we achieve nothing else, we'll delay the entry of corporate capital by one year," said Claud Gurney, a Lloyd's investor and critic of its management, who has stopped un-derwriting policies because of his losses. "And the more delay the

better, as far as we're concerned." Members of Lloyd's suffered a mbined pretax loss of nearly £5.56 billion (\$8.61 billion) in 1988-the last three reporting years.
 Managers of Lloyd's said in July

that the only way to save the insurance market was to allow corporations to invest in it. Previously in its three-century history, only individ-- known as "names" in Lloyd's parlance - had been permitted to invest in it.

Although they often made huge profits, the names also pledged to use all their personal wealth if necessary to cover losses on the poli-

giant industrial-liability claims question in August, before the issu-combined in recent years to send the Lloyd's market into insolvency. the Lloyd's market into insolvency. Some names have gone bankrupt, a ratio of more than 3-to-1.

the central body that regulates the market. If they are not blocked, they will take effect at the beginning of 1994.

Under the plan, corporate members must have a net worth of at ening to block the plan unless the least £1.5 million. Those whose asinsurance market moves to insulate sets total less than £5 million must keep about £1.5 million in "highly liquid assets," such as stocks, bonds and bank deposits.

The future of Lloyd's lies in their ability to attract corporate capital," said Daniel Marren, chief executive of Commercial Risk Reinsurance Co. in Stamford, Connecticut

The individuals who oppose the plan are particularly upset that it shelters corporate investors from losses incurred before their entry into the market while leaving the names wholly responsible for such

Under the market's current system, all members belong to syndicates. A member must pay for his syndicate's losses, even if he was not a member in the year for which

a claim is filed. Management of Lloyd's discounts the dissidents' threat. Delaying the advent of corporate capital would require a majority vote of the membership, but a vote on the

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Promodès SA, a French supermarket operator, said it had taken a 33 percent stake in Gruppo G, the holding company of Italy's Garosci Group, whose sales last year amounted to 1.17 trillion lire (\$760 million).

Inchespe PLC, the international car dealing and trading company, said pretax profit for the first half of 1993 had risen 11.2 percent, to £130.4 million (\$196 million), but was held back by the rise of the yen.

· Amstrad PLC has paid about 70 million kroner (\$10.5 million) for control of Denmark's Dancall Radio A/S, giving the British marketer of personal computers a start in the mobile telephone business.

Galeries Lafayette SA, reducing its emphasis on expansion abroad, is seeking a partner for the store it opened in New York two years ago. according to Georges Meyer, president of the French retailer.

• Bic SA, the maker of ballpoint pens, disposable lighters and cluthing has a 1 billion franc (\$175 million) war chest for possible acquisitions. according to its president, Bruno Bich.

AFP, Bloomberg, AFV

New Central Banker Backs Strong Franc

While its competitors have been adding sec-

dent's circulation was 423,000.

PARIS - The cabinet named Jean-Claude Trichet as governor of the Bank of France on Monday. succeeding Jacques de Larosière.

Mr. Trichet, currently director of

icy of keeping its currency strong through low inflation and relatively high interest rates.

"Trichet invented France's competitive disinflation policy." Esther, thinking since the early 1980s that

This reasoning was first adopted by Jacques Delors when he was finance minister in 1983. Later, its

most prominent defender was Pierre Beregovoy, first as finance until March 1993,

It was under Mr. Bérégovoy as finance minister that Mr. Trichet, 50, was promoted to head of the Treasury in 1988. He earlier served

as the chief adviser at the Finance

Ministry to Edouard Balladur, the current prime minister.

Despite Mr. Trichet's reputation for competence at the Treasury. French press reports have said. there was resistance to his nomination among opponents of the

But analysts said his appointment indicated that the policy would continue. (AFX, Reuters) and a few have committed snicide.

PETROLEUM: For OPEC, Things Go From Bad to Worse as Low Demand and Increased Output Hit Prices

denying that it was selling oil at a accords. discount to generate income.

• Iraq, with a potential to pump as much as 2million barrels a day "OPEC is dysfunctional now, and the market has lost its respect for its ability to control world oil prices," Gary Ross, the chief execu-tive of Petroleum Industry Reimmediately, is widely expected to finally agree to export oil under the rules of the United Nations, a move search Associates in New York that would add to the worldwide oil said, "The problem is that no one else controls prices either except

Oil prices are certain to take supply and demand." He added: "Right now and into their most severe dip this year, specialists said, if the bickering 12 the foresceable future, demand will members of OPEC fail in their be too little."

Observers such as Mr. Khadouri, the editor, and others estimated million barrels a day. That is at that each dollar drop in the price of least 1.5 million barrels a day above a barrel of oil represented a cut in the ceiling the group had set, and the income of the 12 OPEC memmost analysts said they saw little or bers of \$10 billion a year.

EC to Protect Bank Deposits

BRUSSELS - European Community finance ministers have agreed a minimum guarantee of 20,000 European currency units (\$24,000) to protect depositors from bank failures, EC diplomats

said on Monday.
All EC countries except Greece and Portugal currently offer protection to depositors in case of a bank's insolvency. The amount guaranteed ranges from an unlimited amount in Germany and Italy, to around 11,700 Ecus in Spain, and 21,400 Ecus in Britain.

Under the new rules, which will be phased in over a five-year period. depositors will be reimbursed up to the limit of 20,000 Ecus within three months of a bank's failure.

The proposal is aimed at protecting both the depositors, in the event of a financial crisis, and the banks. which could be at risk from the withdrawal of funds by depositors if they are in sound condition but subject to unfounded speculation, Germany voted against the proposal on the grounds that the issue was better dealt with at national level.

who is to become president of the minister and then as prime minister Baroudy, international economist cies they were backing. European Bank for Reconstruction at Credit Lyonnais, said. She was A series of natural disasters and and Development next month. strong-franc policy. referring to French government

the Treasury, will take up his post keeping prices and wages relatively Thursday. He is a champion of the French government's franc fort pol-stable exchange rate.

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spending that will likely get worse,

specialists predict, forcing hard

choices such as slashing welfare spending, arms purchases and for-Poorer OPEC countries like Veneznela have gone through significant political turmoil in the last year because of economic depression stemming from lower oil revenues, Similarly, Nigeria, which is in a severe political crisis, as well as

Iran, Libya and Algeria, all of

problems.

OPEC countries, said Waleed Khainfluential oil industry newsletter

based in Nicosia, Cyprus.

are coping with severe budgetary in prices to \$10 a barrel if this pected the North Sea would pro- al war over production, with each no chance of any credible OPEC oblems. chaotic situation goes on un-

douri, the executive editor of the developments in the last year have ducing demand. The International Middle East Economic Survey, an pushed prices lower: Oil production in the North

ased in Nicosia, Cyprus. Sea is climbing beyond expecta-"In real terms, oil prices today. tions, with many industry execuare comparable, or lower, than their level 20 years ago, which means virtually all of the OPEC producers are much poorer today

5.3 million barrels a day in Western

· Weak economies in Europe,

· Oil affairs specialists said these the United States and Japan is re-Energy Agency recently cut its forecasts of global oil demand by 300,000 barrels a day over the next month, setting world oil consump-tion at 66.9 million barrels a day at a time when usage was widely expected to rise.

 The production discipline of than they have been in decades," he Europe's primary oilfields. That is OPEC, never exemplary, has gone' added. "People in the industry are a million barrels a day — or 23 awry. Sandi Arabia, Iran, Kuwait, speaking of the situation in apoca-percent — more than last year, and Nigeria, and the United Arablyptic terms, worried about a drop far more than oil analysts had ex-

meeting, scheduled for Sept. 25 in

Vienna, to stem production of 25

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A terrifically important executive in Auckland wanted to fly Raffles Class to Singapore for a meeting, to Male for a break, Zurich for a rendezvous, and Copenhagen and Frankfurt for yet more meetings, before flying home.

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Japanese Wavering On Target For Trade

TOKYO - Japan is sending mixed signals about whether it is willing to set a numerical target for its growing trade surplus, as sought by the United States.

Prime Minister Moribiro Hosokawa said on Monday that "a target would be rather difficult." according to the Jiji Press news service. "Until I study it, I don't know," he was quoted as saying.

Foreign Minister Tsutomu Hata on Friday had made comments that suggested a softening of Japan's opposition to setting a numerical trade target.

"If we do not set a target for the surplus as a whole, it will be difficult to gain understanding," he said.

Japan's current account surplus. which covers trade in merchandise and services such as banking and insurance, as well as certain transfer payments, looks this year as though it will top the record \$117.55 billion of 1992.

The surplus is a permanent irri-tant in U.S.-Japan relations and is likely to be a key topic when Mr. Hosokawa meets President Bill Clinton in New York this month.

The surplus has also generated much of the nearly 20 percent rise of the yen against the dollar since January, a rise that is slashing Japanese corporate profits.

The then-prime minister, Kinchi Miyazawa, and Mr. Clinton agreed in July to thrash out an economic agenda. U.S. officials wanted it to in-clude a target of cutting Japan's current account surplus to under 2 percent of gross domestic product over five years, Japan resisted.

A Foreign Ministry official on Monday said Tokyo remained opposed to setting any target that would be seen as a pledge to Washington. The official added, however, that an influential panel advising Mr. Hosokawa on how to overhaul the economy might discuss a longterm forecast for Japan's surplus.

Shougang Goes Shopping China Steelmaker in New H.K. Deal

HONG KONG - When it comes to gobbling up Hong Kong companies, China-backed Shougang Concord International Enterprises Co. seems to have an insatiable appetite.

Shougang Concord, which is the Hong Kong arm of the Beij-ing-based steelmaker Shougang Corp., has announced plans to increase its 23 percent stake in Eastern Century Holdings Ltd. to 54.3 percent for 624.4 million Hong Kong dollars (\$80 million). The deal, announced Sunday night, would give Shougang control of the Hong Kong-based

metals and minerals trader. Last year, Shougang acquired the metal supplier and trader Tung Wing Steel Holdings. Shougang has also snapped up big equity positions in Hong Kong's Santai Manufacturing Ltd., a maker of electrical parts and telephone accessories, and the real estate developer Kader Investment Co.

marked the first "back door" list-ing on the Hong Kong stock ex-change. By buying the stake, Shougang Concord dodged the full listing procedure at the ex-change, here we it are wind a conchange because it acquired a con-trolling stake in an existing pub-

liciy traded company.

One of China's rare state enterprises turning a profit nowadays, Shougang's shopping spree

apparently is not being crimped by the tight credit policies of China's deputy prime minister, Zm Rongji.

They are politically powerful, so they can do more of what they want," said Andrew Bell, director at South China brokerage. A year ago, Deng Xiaoping visited Shougang's headquarters in Beijing and with one walkthrough, changed the company's

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director, South China

Andrew Bell.

brokerage.

future. Since then, the company has been given approval to diver-; sify into areas such as mining abroad, a trading company and a Bening-based commercial bank with overseas branches.

Beijing has allowed the company to bypass state approval for investments of less that 200 million yuan (\$35.1 million) domes-

Within weeks of getting that license, Shongang bought Tung Wing, ordered a second-hand steel mill from California Steel Inc. of Los Angeles, and paid more than \$300 million for an ailing iron ore mine in Peru,

Hierroperu SA.

Beijing is hoping that Shougang will become a new breed of state enterprise turned multinational corporation.

However, some wonder whether Shougang's top management has become too enamored with deal-making to the neglect of the company's basic business. "You just see a lot of wheeling and dealing with them and not much happening on the operational level, said Andrew Hall, associate director at SBCI Securities.

He also said that even for Shougang, with the current economic climate in China, it is going to be tough to finance future deals. That is especially true given that steel prices have already started to fall from their stellar heights as China's construction boom is starved of funds.

Perhaps that is why the stock of Shougang Concord has trailed the red-hot Hong Kong equity mar-ket as a whole. The shares are up about 20 percent since the start of the year, versus the 38 percent run-up in the Hang Seng index. The stock closed 27.5 cents lower, at 4.425 dollars, on Monday.

Taipei Weighs China Trade Zones

TAIPEI - Taiwan's economic anthorities have tentatively decided to assign several special zones for direct trade with China, a newspaper reported

Direct trade between the two — and with Hong Kong after it reverts to Chinese rule in 1997 — would be allowed within the zones under a plan drafted by the

Economics Ministry, the United Daily News said.
Taiwan currently bans direct trade and contact with

China, but trade between the two through third parties, notably Hong Kong, is increasing rapidly. The plan aims at promoting Taiwan as a regional

business center, the newspaper quoted Economics Min-cost him about \$1 billion. ister Chiang Pin-kung as saying. It said Mr. Chiang had told officials in Germany, Austria, Sweden and the Netherlands of the plan during a recent European tour.

Netherlands of the plan during a recent European tour.

Shareholders getting much out of it,
By permitting such trade, Taiwan would be able to
establish a "Chinese economic sphere," which could

Weddon, bead of research at Nonn-

help attract multinational companies to invest in the ra Securities in Hong Kong, said. ind, Mr. Chiang told the newspaper.

Murdoch's Sale **Faces Questions** By Regulators

HONG KONG - Rupert Murdoch's plan to sell a 34.9 percent stake in the South China Morning Post met with skepticism in financial markets Monday amid concern that regulators could block the sale.

Shares of News Corp., controlled by Mr. Murdoch, came under pressure late Monday on the Australian Stock Exchange, but SCMP (Holdings) Ltd., which had been suspended from trading in Hong Kong for a week, was more drastically affected. Its shares plunged almost 10 percent after doubts emerged about Mr. Murdoch's \$349 million plan to sell most of his stake to Robert Kuok, a Malaysian-Chinese businessman.

The doubts centered on whether Mr. Murdoch's decision, announced Sunday, to sell only 34.9 percent would allow Mr. Knok to avoid offering the same price to all holders as he is giving to Mr. Mur-doch — 5.15 Hong Kong dollars

(67 U.S. cents) a share. Under Hong Kong Stock Ex-change rules, any purchase of more than 35 percent would have forced Mr. Knok to make an offer for all

But Westley McDade, spokes-man for the commission, said regu-lators could still order him to make, a public offer.

They could if they felt that

some of the parties were close enough to be acting in concert, in which case their shareholdings would be combined," he said.

News Corp. on Monday indicated the transaction would be scrapped if Mr. Kuok had to make a full public offer, which would

"It looks like just another example of a takeover without minority shareholders getting much out of it, The agreement calls for the

Morning Post stake to be bought by Kerry Media Ltd., an affiliate of Mr. Kuok's closely held Kerry Group, which has major business

The deal was announced after the Hong Kong Securities and Fu-nires Commission expressed con-cern over the Morning Post's weeklong suspension from trading on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange last week and called on the company to clarify its position.

News Corp. shares peaked at 10.94 Australian dollars (US\$7.10) Monday before slipping on concern about the deal to close at 10.78 dollars, still six cents higher on the day. In Hong Kong, shares in SCMP tumbled from their close of 5.35 dollars on Sept. 3, before trading was suspended, to 4.85 dollars.

The Beijing government this year appointed Mr. Knok as one of 91 advisers to it on Hong Kong affairs for the British colony's transition to Chinese rule in 1997.

Some journalists have expressed concerns over Mr. Kuok taking control of the Post, one of the few local dailies to back the British governor, Chris Patten, in his dispute with Beijing over his plans to in-crease democracy in Hong Kong before the Chinese takeover.

Mr. Murdoch, who has media operations in North America, Europe and Australia as well, bought 64 reent of the satellite broadcaster STAR-TV in July from Hutchison Whampoa Ltd. for \$525 million.

If the deal is completed, Mr. Murdoch would still have 15.1 percent of SCMP as well as a long-sought alliance with Mr. Knok that could be important to his plans for expansion in satellite television and other media in China itself. Mr. Kuok owns nearly one-third of the Hong Kong television station TVB, which has a vast library of Chinese-language (AFP, Reuters)

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Very briefly:

Investor's Asia

• Foster's Brewing Group Ltd. had earnings of 310.3 million Australian dollars (US\$201.5 million) in the year ended June 30, its first annual profit in four years. But the company said weakness in its main markets, Australia, Britain and Canada, would continue.

• Coca-Cola Co. said it had joined with Kerry Group to invest \$20 million in Dalian Fruit Co., a beverage company in northeastern China,

• Guangzhou will invest 35 billion yuan (\$6.07 billion) over 10 years to combat traffic congestion. City officials told the English-language China Daily that construction of a subway system would begin by year-end. • Daewoo Corp. will invest \$300 million in a cement plant in Shandong Province in eastern China.

NEC Corp. said it would boost monthly output of its four-megabit dynamic random access memory chip to 10 million units from 8.5 million as early as 1994, reflecting a recovery of demand in the United States. Kawasaki Heavy Industries and the Swiss-Swedish ABB Asea Brown Boveri Ltd. established a joint venture, Japan Gas Turbine KK. to be based in Kobe and make gas and steam turbines for the Asian market.

• McDonnell Douglas Corp. said it would move some Hong Kong employees to Beijing and add staff in its mainland China operations. China will soon begin futures trading of treasury bonds on the Shanghai stock exchange, the Xinhua news agency reported.

• Pakistan's caretaker government said it would move toward privatizing the country's energy industry by selling its thermal power projects.

Reaers, AFP, AFX, Bloomberg

Investment Off 8.8% in Japan

Agence France-Presse

TOKYO - Japanese companies' planned capital spend-ing for the current business year has fallen 8.8 percent from the previous year, according to a poll published Monday. The Nihon Keizai Shimbun

among manufacturers for the investment on plant and

equipment for the year to next March will total a combined 20.55 trillion yen (\$194 billion).

Coles Myer Toys With U.S. Expansion

SYDNEY—The chief executive been beaten anywhere in the of every Australian dollar spent in in Australia. of Coles Myer Ltd. said Monday world," Mr. Bartels said. However, the retail sector, despite the compatoy retailer's home ground.

Toys 'R'. Us fac. to the American competitor already held 40 percent in recess years, Mr. Bartels said, toy retailer's home ground. 'of the market, as Coles does in Mr. Bartels, who took control Peter Bartels, in a speech to the Australia through its several the company early last year, out- to flex its muscles.

Peter Bartels, in a speech to the Securities Institute of Australia, said Coles's new toy chain, World 4 Kids, may be one of the company's first retail chains to go overseas.

Coles launched World 4 Kids to counter the entry into Australia by Toys 'R' Us. The chain opened its first store in August, and Toya 'R' Us opened its first Australian store last week.

Australia through its several groups of department, discount, clothing and food stores.

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The Target discount chain, the food chain Red Rooster, clothing chains Katies and Fosseys and liquor chain store chain Grace Bros.

Us opened its first Australia of the company's first tetail chains to go overseas.

lined major changes in its retailing He said it would look for

He cited what he called the com-pany's belated move into the area taurant chain to Australia. Mr. Bartel said the chain

In addition, the company last that Australia's leading retailer he said, the American company has my having fallen "askeep" as compe-month announced a 4.2 billion may take its competitive battle with .never entered a country where a tition in the retail market intensified Australian dollar (USS2.73 billion) expansion program, and Mr. Bar-Mr. Bartels, who took control of tels said Coles was only beginning

On corporate matters, the executive said he planned to transform

Volvo to Make Buses in China

STOCKHOLM — Volvo AB said Monday it had signed a deal with Xian Aircraft Co. of China to form a joint venture to make and sell buses.

The buses will be designed for tourists and long-distance vo chassis and components and with the most modern body available, designed in aluminium alloy," Volvo said. The capital of the venture,

to be called Xian Silver Bus Corp., will be \$7 million; total investment will be \$15 million.

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Braves Lose but Remain A Game Ahead of Giants

The Associated Press A loss to the lowly San Diego Padres cost the Atlanta Braves a of. chance to gain ground in the National League West but did nothing

to dampen their enthusiasm. The Padres beat the Braves, 5-4. Sunday, getting all their runs off Steve Avery in the fourth inning. Ricky Gutierrez led off with a home run, which was followed by Phil Plantier's two-run double.

which lost to St. Louis. The Braves. ers. But Trevor Hoffman came on 5-2 on their West Coast trip, head- to get the final two outs. ed back to Atlanta for a six-game

home stand beginning Tuesday.
"We wish we could've won toback," said Ron Gant, who drove base in two runs for a two-game total of C

eight, "That shows everyone plus Francisco, playing at home, lost its ourselves what we're really made fifth straight as St. Louis swept the

third and drove in a run on a ground out in the fifth.

NL ROUNDUP

off the sixth, making it 5-3. Then

Gene Harris pitched the ninth for his 23d save, allowing an RBI encing while losing 12 of their last single to David Justice — who was 18 garoes. They out runners at first "We wish we could've won to-day, but the big thing is we got 4-for-5—before retiring Pendleton and third with nobody out but down four runs and still came on a fly hall with two runners on couldn't get a run in. Kiri Manwar-

Sizzling Orioles Now 2d in East

By David Nakamura Washington Post Service

A hot pitcher and an even hotter offense have put the Baltimore Orioles in second place in the American League East, 112 games behind-

the Toronto Blue Javs.
Mike Devereaux, Mike Pagliarulo, Harold Baines and Cal Ripken hit home runs, and Jaime Moyer

AL ROUNDUP

won again as the Orioles thumped the visiting Oakland Athletics, 14-5. Sunday night.

Baltimore, which has won 11 of its last 13, moved past the sagging New York Yankees and into second place as it wrapped up its nextto-last homestand of the season in style with 14 hits.

It's better to have only one team in front of you than four," said the Orioles' manager, Johnny Oates, only to be somewhat contradicted by Devereaux.

and the first-place team, you want to end up first. Nothing else mat-

Devereaux did most of the damage, going three for four with the homer, a sacrifice fly and five runs batted in. He and Pagliarulo hit 10th as Seattle won in Milwaukee. three-run shots in the third, when | In earlier games, reported in some Baltimore sent nine men to the Monday editions: plate and turned a 1-1 tie into a 7-1 Blue Jays 4. Angels 1: To

Ripken also hit a three-run homer, in the eighth, while Baines hit a three-run homer in the fifth homered with the hases empty in

Moyer, meanwhile, cruised along, allowing just seven hits and two runs in eight innings as he fied his career high in victories, set in 1987 with the Chicago Cubs. His victories have all come since June 10. a stretch in which he has won more games than any AL pitcher except Jack McDowell of the Chicago White Sox.

■ In other cames, The Associated

start on a day in his honor in Arlington, Texas, was sharp after some early wildness but couldn't escape the sixth inning in Minnesota's victory

Twins 4, Rangers 2: Notan Ryan, returning from the disabled list to

David McCarty's two-run double chased Ryan with two outs in the sixth, ending Texas's six-game winning streak and keeping it 3½ games behind first-place Chicago, which also lost in the AL West.

Ryan struck out three, walked five and allowed four runs on four hits in his 5% innings. Kevin Tapani dominated the

Rangers after giving up Juan Gon-zalez's career-high 110th RBI in the first, and the pitcher also hit an RBI double in the eighth. Tigers 6, White Sox 3; Eric Davis's bases-loaded triple keyed a

six-run first and led to Jack Mc-Dowell's earliest exit in the majors as Detroit won in Chicago. McDowell retired only one bat-"Second place means absolutely" ter before departing. He walked the

nothing," he said. "No matter how first three before Cecil Fielder sinmany people end up between you gled for two runs. Then Kirk Gibson walked to reload the bases be-fore Davis tripled down the right-Mariners 5, Brewers 4: Mike

Blowers scored from second base on an error with two outs in the

playing at home, completed a and the shot set up a two-putt hird-three-game sweep as Paul Molitor ie that gave him his seventh title. against California.

The homer made the 37-year-old designated hitter the oldest player to record his first 100-RBI season. Royals 10. Yankees 2: Brian McRae doubled and tripled to drive in three runs. Kevin McReynolds hit a two-run homer and New York fell two games behind Toronto as Tom Gordon pitched an

eight-hitter in Kansas City, Red Sox 11, Indians 1: Tim Nachring drove in four runs as Boston won in Cleveland,

four-game series despite two home Gant hit a sacrifice fly in the runs from Matt Williams.

After Williams led off the second with a homer, the Cardinals got Terry Pendleton homered to lead two runs in the third, Todd Zeile doubling to score Tim Jones and Mark Whiten driving in Zeile with

Erik Pappas started the fourth Rafael Belliard reached on third with a double, took third on a But the Braves, who lost for only the sixth time in 32 games, stayed one game ahead of San Francisco.

But the Braves, who lost for only that the Braves, who lost for only the sixth time in 32 games, stayed one game ahead of San Francisco.

Walked to chase rookie Scott Sand-to make it 3-1. It became 4-1 on a

single by Tom Pagnozzi.
The Giants' fifth was typical of the frustration they've been experiing flied out to right, and Luis Alicea started a dazzling double play on pitcher John Burkett's ground ball to end the inning.

Dodgers 1, Marlins 0; Pedro As-tacio got his first shutout of the season with a five-hitter and Cory Snyder drove in the only run with a sixth-inning single as Los Angeles beat visiting Florida.

■ In earlier games, reported in some Monday editions: Expos 3, Reds 2: Larry Walker singled in the winning run with the bases loaded in the ninth as Mon-treal, playing at home, beat Cincinnati to win its sixth straight. The Expos, who trailed NL East-

leading Philadelphia by 14½ games Aug. 2tl. have gained 9½ games in 24 days and are now 5 back. Astros 9, Phillies 2: Craig Biggio homered to open the game and Chris Donnels hit a two-run homer

- his first in the major leagues as Houston won in Philadelphia. Pirates 4, Rockies 3: Al Martin's home run in the bottom of the ninth enabled Pittsburgh to break a six-game losing streak to Colorado.

Mets 5, Cubs 0: Sid Fernandez nitched a four-hitter against Chicago for his first complete game and shutout this season, and Eddie Murray had a homer and three RBIs as host New York ended a season-high eight-game losing streak.

Frost Nips Couples In Canadian Open

The Associated Press OAKVILLE, Ontario - David lead on the final hole, boldly went the other lost face. for the green on the par-5 18th hole. This time it was the Cowb

ie that gave him his seventh title.
"You don't have that many chances to win a golf tournament. said Frost, who had been tied with Fred Couples and 225 yards (205 meters) out Sunday when he laced his 5-wood over the pond in front of the 18th green.

Brad Bryant, who led through 54 holes as he sought his first victory in 16 years on tour, shot 41 on the back nine and finished third. He won \$68,000, enough to secure his playing rights for 1994.
"Hey." he said. "I've got a joh

tight end.
The hall ricocheted into the air, next year. That's not all bad.'



The Bills' fullback, Carwell Gardner, used his legs to tackle Kevin Smith after the cornerback had intercepted a pass by Jim Kelly.

Bills Get Sweet Revenge in Dallas

By Bill Plaschke Los Angeles Times Service

IRVING, Texas - Matt Darby fell down and was slapped by an angry Jay Novacek at the one-yard line, but that didn't stop him.

Darby jumped back up with the ball he had just intercepted for the Buffalo Bills and ran downfield through the stunned silence that enveloped Texas Stadium, leaping and shouting for 60 yards.

"I was so excited, I could have run a mile," Darhy said. Back behind the Dallas Cowboys' end zone, where Darby had

Bills, Jerry Jones walked briskly in the Bills' points. the other direction. Jones, owner of the Cowboys.

somebody threw something. The rematch of last season's Super Bowl teams made eight months OAKVILLE, Ontario — David seem like eight years Sunday, with Frost, tied for the Canadian Open one team gaining redemption while

> defending Super Bowl champions, making the mistakes and suffering the embarrassment. This time it was the Bills who

With 12 seconds remaining. Darby intercepted a pass from Troy coach, intimated afterward Aikman on the goal line to a seal a liout had just lost his job. victory that was within a second of

being something else.

Darby caught it, was tockled, and a salary dispute with Jones over a

the Cowboys' 70-yard drive ended as the Bills' celebration began.
"While they were driving, I was have looked miserable.

standing there thinking. Oh no, this would be a terrible way to lose it," said Don Beebe, Bills' receiver. "Then I thought, 'What a perfect way to win it."

Perfect, because this is essentially the same team that lost Super

NFL ROUNDUP Bowl XXVII in Pasadena, 52-17, after giving up 35 points because of

nine turnovers. This time, the Cowboys commitjust stolen a 13-10 victory for the ted four turnovers that led to all of

The game-winning, 35-yard field goal by Steve Christic with 2:49 to was looking for an exit before play came after Kevin Williams, carrying the football like it was a purse, had fumbled away his second punt return in two games.

> The Cowhoys also suffered through two missed field goals by Linn Elliott, which was the reason Aikman was throwing into the end zone in those final seconds instead of letting the kicking team take the field and attempt to send the game into overtime.

Jimmy Johnson, the Cowboy's coach, intimated afterward that El-"I hate to use the word 're-

venge." Beebe said. "But I would Aikman's pass, from the 11-yard be lying to you if 1 said that every-line, hit Novacek in the shoulder one in this locker room didn't think pads. It also hit Darby in the shoul-der pads as he collided with the big and that this win was really sweet." Without Emmitt Smith, the running back who is absent because of

In 16 games last season they lost aine fumbles. This season, they have already lost six.

Last season they averaged nearly 26 points a game. This season it has taken them two games to score 26. They are only the third defending Super Bowl champion in 27

years to begin a season 0-2. They are also behind history's eight-ball, in that no team has ever started out 0-2 and gone to the Super Bowl,

And are they getting cranky.
"We've got to eliminate all the negative talk around, we've got one negative after another," Johnson said afterward, his mood as foul as anyone has seen since he arrived here in 1989, "It wears on you. I know it wears on me."

■ In other games, United Press Rums 27, Steelers 0: Rookies Troy Drayton and Jerome Bettis scored to help Los Angeles win

Jim Everett threw a 22-yard touchdown pass to tight end Drayton in the second quarter and Bettis scored on a 29-yard run carly in the

Jets 24, Dolphins 14: Boomer Esiason passed for 323 yards and two touchdowns and ran for anoth-

er as New York won in Miami. Dan Marino completed 19-of-29 passes for 286 yards and two touchdowns. The victory was the fourth for the Jets in their last five meet-

ter touchdowns as Denver beat vis-

iting San Diego. Stan Humphries was 28-for-49 for 298 yards and two touchdowns. while teammate John Carney kicked his 23d consecutive field goal, two shy of the NFL record set

by Morten Andersen. Raiders 17, Sealuwks 13; Jeff Hostetler passed for a touchdown and ran for another as Los Angeles beat host Seattle for the seventh straight time.

Los Angeles defensive end An-thony Smith sacked Seattle quarterback Rick Mirer four times and recorded five tackles.

In earlier games, reported in some Monday editions: Cardinals 17, Redsldus 10: John-

ny Bailey returned a punt for a touchdown and Ron Moore scored on an 18-yard run as Phoenix ended a 14-game losing streak in

The Redskins' quarterback, Mark Rypien, strained the collateral ligament in his right knee in the not require surgery but will miss

three to six weeks. Saints 34, Falcons 31: Morten Andersen, who earlier missed on two straight field goal attempts after setting a record with his 25th in a row, connected from 43 yards out as time expired to give New Or-leans its victory in Atlanta. Former Saint Bobby Hebert led an Atlanta rally from a 31-10 deficit with three touchdown passes in the fourth

quarter. ings with the Dolphins.

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left in overtime to give visiting Detroit a victory over New England. Lions 19, Patriots 16: Jason Hanson kicked a 38-yard field with 3:56 left in overtime to give visiting De-

Celtic Star Hid Heart Murmur

BOSTON - Reggie Lewis, the captain of the Boston Celtics who died of a heart defect July 27, had a heart murmur from birth until he was 12 and came from a family with a history of cardiac illness. The Boston Globe newspaper has reported.

Lewis, 27, apparently did not tell doctors about the heart murmur or that his mother had suffered two heart attacks, the Globe reported. It said Lewis suffered five or six

dizzy spells during the four months before he collapsed April 29 during a National Basketball Association playoff game and had extra heartbeats while resting in a hospital

after that collapse.

An autopsy found Lewis had a large, extensively scarred heart. cause of the scar tissue is still not known. Potential causes in-clude viruses, medications, illegal

drugs, poisons and alcohol. The Globe said its reporters interviewed dozens of people about Lewis's death, but because of medical reputations and potential lawsuits, many talked only on condi-e. tion of anonymity. The newspaper. also said previous sources had been muzzled.

The athlete apparently told his doctor, Gilbert Mudge, that one of his two brothers was born with a bole in his heart and had undergone open heart surgery in Baltimore when he was 4.

But, according to the Globe, Lewis did not tell Mudge or the other 12 doctors who also examined him that he was born with a heart murmur, which had been diagnosed at a Baltimore clinic and detected in elementary school physicals. Apparently, the murmin

went away when he was 12.

Lewis also concealed that his mother, Inez Reid, has had two heart attacks, one of them when she was 17, according to the Globe. .

The athlete first received intensive medical attention after be collapsed during a playoff game April 29. The Celtics team of doctors diagnosed Lewis with cardiomyopathy, a potentially life-threatening disease of the heart muscle.

Three days after his collapse. Lewis abruptly switched from New England Baptist Hospital to Brigham and Women's Hospital: According to the Globe, Lewis

had a run of six extra heartbeats the day before he switched bospitals. His doctors judged the problem serious enough to discuss whether it would be dangerous to move him to another room for testing.

The abrupt switch of hospitals

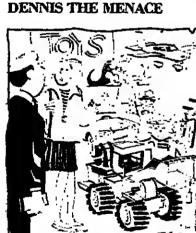
cedures, but took place because of the lucrative nature of the cardiology field, the attention on Lewis's case and the politics within Boston hospitals, the newspaper reported Boston is the most political

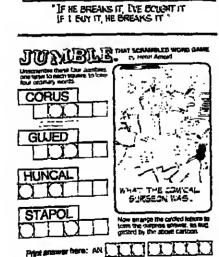
medical place in the country." a cardiologist said. "There's so many hospitals and so many competitive situations and so much in the way of ego. It had a major influence on this situation.

At Brigham and Women's, Lewis got a second opinion from Mudge, who diagnosed a minor fainting condition

Twelve weeks fater, he was dead.

Press reported.





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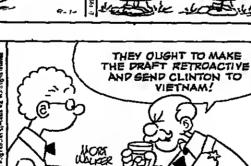


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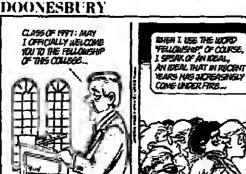






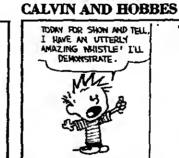


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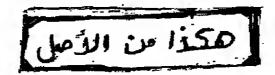






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Wang Sets 4th Mark

The Associated Press

BEIJING - Another day, another obliterated world record Monday for Chinese distance runner Wang Junxia. Wang cut six seconds off the

3,000-meter mark she set in Sunday's heats, running the final in 8 minutes, 6.11 seconds. It was her third world record in six days at the National Games and the fourth for the Chinese women rumers coached by Ma Junren,

Wang lopped 42 seconds off the 10,000 record Wednesday, and teammate Qu Yunxia broke the 1,500 mark Saturday. With a time of 8:12.19, Wang was first among five runners who broke the 3,000

mark in Sunday's heats. Wang, 20, left her competition far behind Monday as she sprinted the final lap, but Qu also broke Wang's previous record with a time of 8:12.18.

"I believe at the next competition, at the World Cup, 1 can definitely break more records," said Wang, who fin-ished the first 1,000 in 2:41.98 and the second in 5:29.65.

The unprecedented success of the Chinese runners has led to speculation about the use of performance-enhancing drugs. But Ma said his runners have been tested for drugs dai-

ly during the National Games. He did not say what the results were, but there have been no reports of any athlete testing positive for banned substances during the games.

"There's an old saying in Chinese, 'A thief crying, Stop thief!' " he said, "I've been a coach for six years now, I still have no idea what a stimulant is. But some people keep talking about stimulants, It must be because they use stimulants that they know what stimu-

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Sampras Holds All the Aces in Quickly Trumping Pioline

By Robin Finn New York Times Service

NEW YORK - Tall, dark and lean, they looked to be body doubles in shorts as they took that last athletic stroll onto the shadowy Stadium Court in a duel for

the year's last Slam championship.

But beyond the one-handed back-hands, the tennis games of Pete Sampras and Cedric Pioline didn't match up at all in the foregone conclusion that masqueraded as the men's U.S. Open final Sunday. Just as he'd expected, Sampras, who calls himself "the class" of the crop of players at the top of this game, outclassed Pioline, the 15th-seed from France who three rounds ago dumped Jim Courier from the No. I ranking only to be rudely dumped by the new No. 1.

It was straight, simple, and serious, precisely the way Sampras likes his tennis, a 6-4, 6-4, 6-3 victory that required just 124 minutes of fleet footwork and fancy serving and delivered a Slam-record payoff of \$535,000.

His studious, if unspectacular, domi-nance of Pioline, 24, a late bloomer he's

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now defeated in all three of their meet-ings, brought Sampras his second consecutive Slam crown for 1993, made him the first American man to win the Wimbledon and U.S. Open titles in the same year since John McEnroe in 1984 and pasted another seal of approval onto his top-

"I've won the two biggest tournaments in the world, so '93 is going to go down as my best year so far," said Sampras. "My goal one day is to be in the same sentence as Rod Laver and Ken Rosewall."

This championship was the second at the U.S. Open for Sampras, who, at 19, became its youngest champion in 1990. Then came '92, when Sampras became the tournament's most tortured runnerup when he blundered through his final against defending champion Stefan Ed-berg after a sleepless night fighting an untimely invasion of stomach flu.

Granted the opportunity to contest four Slam finals, Sampras, 22, who already owns 19 titles, has now prevailed in every high-stakes scenario but the one against Edberg,

And just as he did while working his way to his previous 18 trophies, Sampras progressed farther in a Slam than this with an improbable backhand drop shot, year's Wimbledon quarterfinal, seemed Pioline lost his serve in the first game of put on a low-key, emotively imremarkable, performance.

"I can't change my attitude for better ratings," said Sampras.

But what he has changed is his mental approach to the classical strokes and talent for playmaking that characterize his game. He has always loved to hit a beautiful passing shot or smack a locomotive ace, of which there were a dozen Sunday, but these days Sampras has less appreciation for the pretty process he creates and a greater predilection for making sure the results lead to a victory.

As the indefatigable Michael Chang pras, he persisted in serving and volley-pras in a quarterfinal in which Chang nearly kicked him into a two-set hole, Sampras's appetite for winning has become so insatiable that even had Chang takes a type set lead be a served.

But Pioline's serve — the stroke that had carried him into this final just two taken a two-set lead he was convinced he

And Pioline, who's never won a title anywhere, and until this Open had not year's Wimbledon quarterfinal, seemed convinced he'd lose this one.

"Maybe at the beginning, I was a little nervous, but after I couldn't play because he was too good," Pioline said, "He can do any shot. When he's playing good, I think he's the best."

first game on serve, made for an uncomfortable afternoon. In the first game of the match, Pioline dropped his serve by pushing a backhand volley long, but because that was the shot that gave him the best chance of sneaking a ball past Sam-

had carried him into this final just two percentage points behind the 95 percent efficiency rate commanded by Sampras
—sabotaged, rather than sustained, him. Just after Sampras claimed the first set

Pioline lost his serve in the first game of the second set with another improbable. but less advisable, shot: He double-faulted at game point with a lateral miss off his racket frame that sent the ball deep into the stands instead of over the net.

Then it only got worse.

Certainly, Pioline's inauspicious begin-ning in all three sets, where he lost the double-faulted at game point to drop the seventh game, it was a mistake that gave Sampras a two-sets-to-none advantage.

> Proving the notion that bad things come in threes, Pioline double-faulted away the first game of the final set, too. But his costliest error from the service line was the one that ended the match on Sampras's second match point. It was the Frenchman's eighth, and last, doublefault, this one committed with a netming second serve.

Sampras had no such problems with his best weapon. From the start, he began pelting aces at Pioline, one of them a

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near-miss that flew by so fast that the Frenchman didn't have time to flinch.

"I wanted to smoke 'em by him, send him a message that I'd he hitting them pretty hard," said Sampras, whose firstservice percentage was an better than Pioline's at 49 percent. But he served only four double-faults, none of them as poorly timed as Pioline's, and he allotted the underdog just three break points while gaining 11 for himself.

"I got on top of him pretty quickly, and he was a bit tight, which I think is to be expected," said Sampras. "Just like I was

Sampras called this title more important than the No. 1 one ranking it re-turned to him. His 66 match victories lead the pack this year and his two Slam crowns virtually assure him of owning the top ranking when it counts, at year's end.

"Can I win a Grand Slam?" said Sampras, whose role model, Laver, was the last man to accomplish that in 1969. "I'm

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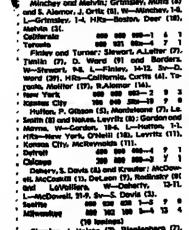
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Cutting to the Bone

WASHINGTON — Although story building in Arlington, Virgin ia, for \$1 million a year. has decided to dump 250,000 government employees, it does not have the slightest idea how to do it. So the White House appointed Gerald Blitzstein of BUR/PER-SONNEL/FILE. BURN & SHRED/G-7 to set up the machin-

cry. Blitzstein had a reputation in Washington as a "can-do" bureaucrat and a man who knew the difference bei ween 'red

tape" and the Nixon tapes." The first thing he did was find an office for the new department which he nicknamed Bureau

of Slam-Dunk Buchwald 250,000 Bodies.

He purchased furniture, hired a secretary, put in a six-button phone and was ready to carry out Vice President Al Gore's mandate to the letter. But he soon realized that the legal repercussions of cutting back on government services were enormous, so he put together a Civil Service Blue Ribbon Panel to study

The panel required space, as did the staff, so Blitzstein leased 2 10-

'Hair' Is Back After Some Cuts

L ONDON — The psychedelic musical "Hair," which emboded the spirit of the 1960s and hocked audiences with its swearing and nude scenes, returns to the London stage on Tuesday night. Some of the show's references to hard drugs and intravenous drugaking now sensitive in the age of

AIDS, have been trimmed before the opening at the Old Vic theater. Jim Rado, co-author of the original show, which portrayed the hippie culture of free love, "flower power" and drugs in 1968, has taken the scissors to the script for the revival. Producers are confident the message of "Hair" will still have appeal for teenagers a quarter of a century later as well as for older people who remember the era.

After several meetings, the panel was broken down into 30 subcommittees, which necessitated the hiring of 10,000 employees to handle the reports and mail them to Congress. They were housed in a large office in Bethesda, Maryland, with the overflow in an industrial park

in nearby Rockville. The White House kept putting pressure on Blitzstein to give them some results, so be hired 200 FBf agents, the entire accounting department of the IRS and 3,000 fellows from the Brookings fustitution. In order to accommodate everyone, Blitzstein moved the new people into the National Art Gallery which he had completely renovated into government offices.

Things were going surprisingly well. Blitzstein's office had laid off 89,000, and he only had to hire 86,800 people to do it. He ran into difficulty, however, when be tried to lay off personnel in several de-partments that deal with Civil War affairs because no one knew of their existence. The workers there maintained that since they didn't exist they couldn't be fired.

Blitzstein then set up a special department to investigate the exis-tence of nonexistent bureaus. He did this by hiring the 15,000 people that the General Services Adminis-tration were ordered to lay off as part of the Clinton economy drive.

This was a mistake because Blitz-stein had now hired more people than he had fired, and Vice President Gore was furious.

He called in Blitzstein for an explanation and he got one. "Sir, you can't have a reduction in force unless you hire people to carry it out. My department is bone thin, and f could not let one more person go without endangering the presi-dent's whole anti-bureaucratic program. Every rule and regulation has to be examined before we throw it out - and for that we need work-

Gore responded, "If the public finds out that we put more people on the payroll than we fired, they are going to ask for our scalps. You have to find a way of bringing the numbers down.

"For heaven's sake, Mr. Vice President, I only have two hands."

The Met's New Museum Within a Museum

By Glenn Collins

New York Times Service NEW YORK — It was early June, and Philippe de Mootebello was navigating his way through the workmen's clutter of ladders and sawhorses inhabiting the

new 19th-Century European Paintings and Sculpture Gal-leries in the Metropolitan Museum of Art.

"That is where 'The Hand of God' will be," said de Montebello, the museum's director, pointing to a diamond of parquet flooring where the celebrated Rodin bronze

"And that is where the transom will not be," he said,

The transom," The plans called for a beautiful, translucent, backlit transom," he said to a visitor. "But it blocked the vista of the art in the next rooms. I noticed it at 11 A.M." It was noon at the time. "As you can see, it is gone."

The tale of the transom illustrates not only the clout of de Montebello but also the improvisational quality of the most ambitious internal renovation ever attempted at the Metropolitan, a renovation to be celebrated with a round of gala benefits, beginning Monday with a black-tie din-ner for 400 people. The project, which opens to the public on Sept. 21, represents, in effect, the creation of a museum within a muscum, one that in some ways more resembles the Met at the turn of the century than the Met of today.

The Met's collection of Romantic, Barbizon, Impressionist and Post-Impressionist works — 350 paintings and 120 sculptures — is now reinstalled in a suite of 21 elaborate, Beaux Arts-style galleries on the second floor of the museum's south wing. The renovation, which took three years of planning and two years of reconstruction, cost \$12.4 million. "The 19th-century galleries represent a

total change," de Montebello said.

The new, classically inspired galleries will replace the old André Meyer Galleries, a starkly modern 25,000square-foot (22,500 square meters) area designed by Kevin Roche, John Dinkeloo & Associates that was to have been the last word in art display, but became something of an embarrassment, panned by some critics. There had been dissatisfaction with that gallery from 1980, when it opened, de Montebello said; it tried to be flexible and open, with its seven tall movable partitions, erected in the sleek, cavernous spaces of the gallery, with its bright turquoise carpet.

"The flexibility wasn't really flexible, since we never moved any of the partitions," he said. "They chopped up the space and people wandered around lost, trying to make sense of it all."

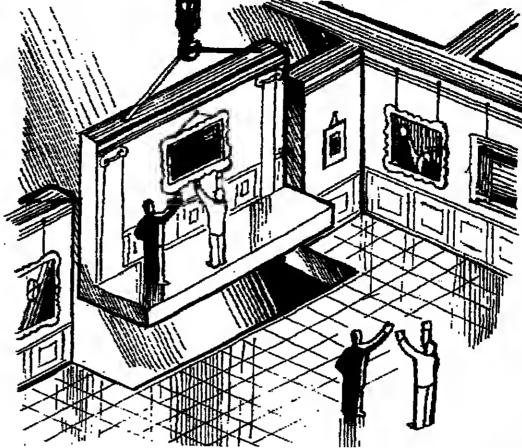
The new space was designed by Gary Tinterow, Engelhard Curator of European Paintings at the museum, and David Harvey, scuior exhibition designer, in collaboration with Roche, Dinkeloo. Some of the rooms will continue the name of the Andre Meyer Galleries; others will honor Leonore and Walter Annenberg, Iris and B. Gerald Cantor and the Met's important early donors, the Havemeyer femily.

family.

"The art of the 19th century should be displayed in galleries similar in scale and design to those for which the artists created their pictures," Tinterow said, "classically proportioned rooms that are articulated with baseboards,

wainscoting cornices and coves."

So he and Harvey re-created the configuration of the original gallery spaces designed by some of the musuem's earliest architects, Richard Morris Hunt and the firm of McKim, Mead & White, as well as the work of John



Russell Pope at the Frick Museum and the National

The process of designing an ambitious museum gallery is often one of compromise with the unexpected. The happiest accommodation forced on the designers was the integration into the Metropolitan's own collection of the largest single gift of art made to any museum in over half a century. In March 1991, the publisher and philanthropist Walter H. Annenberg promised to bequeath to the museum paintings valued at from \$700 million to \$1 billion.

The plans had already been dramatically reconfigured in 1990, when the Annenberg bequest became a possibility and later adjustments were necessary to cope with a further embarrassment of riches: Last November, the Metropolitan acquired eight works by Manet, Degas, Pissarro, Morisot and Sisley. In June, van Gogh's "Wheat

Field with Cypresses" was acquired for \$57 million through the Annenberg Foundation.

Annenberg stipulated that his collection be exhibited in a group. The interpolation of the Annenberg Impressionists with those of the Met will be accomplished to the west of the central Manet gallery, in a grid of nine gallery rooms. Three Annenberg galleries will display 53 works by Cezanne, Gauguin, Manet, Matisse, Monet, Picasso, Re-

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noir, Seurat, van Gogh and others; these galleries will he flanked by six other rooms displaying the museum's paintings by the same artists.

Another unanticipated change was disappointing: the abandonment of the planned oval shape for the central Manet gallery. The ellipse, based on a gallery room in the Frick Collection, was to be the locus of the redesign, a visual representation of a central compass point from which visitors could head in any of four directions.

The plan was dropped because of space. "The oval would have been much too crowded," Tinterow said. The compromise was a rectangular double gallery with enough wall space to accommodate 16 large-scale Manets.

An additional \$1 million was programmed into the galleries original budget to pay for changes and refinements; so in altering the original plans, de Montebello said, the renovation has not gone over budget.

By the end of the renovation de Montebello came to think of the sweaty evolution of design, construction and display as "very much an artistic process," he said. "A gallery can't simply be conceptualized. It must be ob-served, experienced, tinkered with. It reinvents itself every

PEOPLE

Oprah Goes to the Top Of Richest Entertainers

Bill Cosby move over; here comes Open Winfrey. The talk show host is the first woman to lead the Forbes magazine list of enter-tainment millionaires, with an estimated \$98 million in carnings over two years. Cosby topped the list last year but slumped to third spot with a mere \$66 million over two years. Number two was Steven Spiciberg, producer of "Jurassic Park," with \$72 million. Madonna sank to 15th place from 8th and her earnings dropped to \$13 million in the 1993 list from \$24 million last

Robert Altman's "Short Cuts" shared the Golden Lion for best film with "Trois Couleurs. Bleu" by Poland's Krzysztof Kieslowski at the 50th Venice Film Festival.

Princess Anne, 43, is expecting a child after 10 months of marriage to her second husband, Commander Tim Laurence, the newspaper People reported. It quoted a friend as saying she was "thrilled." Buckingham Palace declined to com-

The British press is angry at writ-er Martin Amis for reportedly leav-ing his wife, Antonia Phillips, with whom he has two children, for the company of Isabel Fonseca. Amis, 44, who used to be called the *enfant* terrible of British letters, has in recent years cultivated the image of settled family man. Now he's being accused of hypocrisy, not least be-cause he has criticized his own father, writer Kingsley Amis, for deserting his mother.

Michael Jackson is off to Mos-cow, where his "Dangerous" tour is to perform Wednesday.

Lyle Lovett almost missed his performance at Governor Ann Richards' 60th birthday bash in Austin, Texas, because he didn't have a pass and guards didn't recognize him or his wife, Julia Rob-erts. Eventually, a member of the governor's staff got him in.

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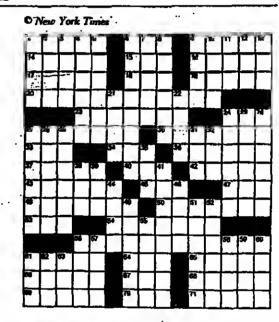
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